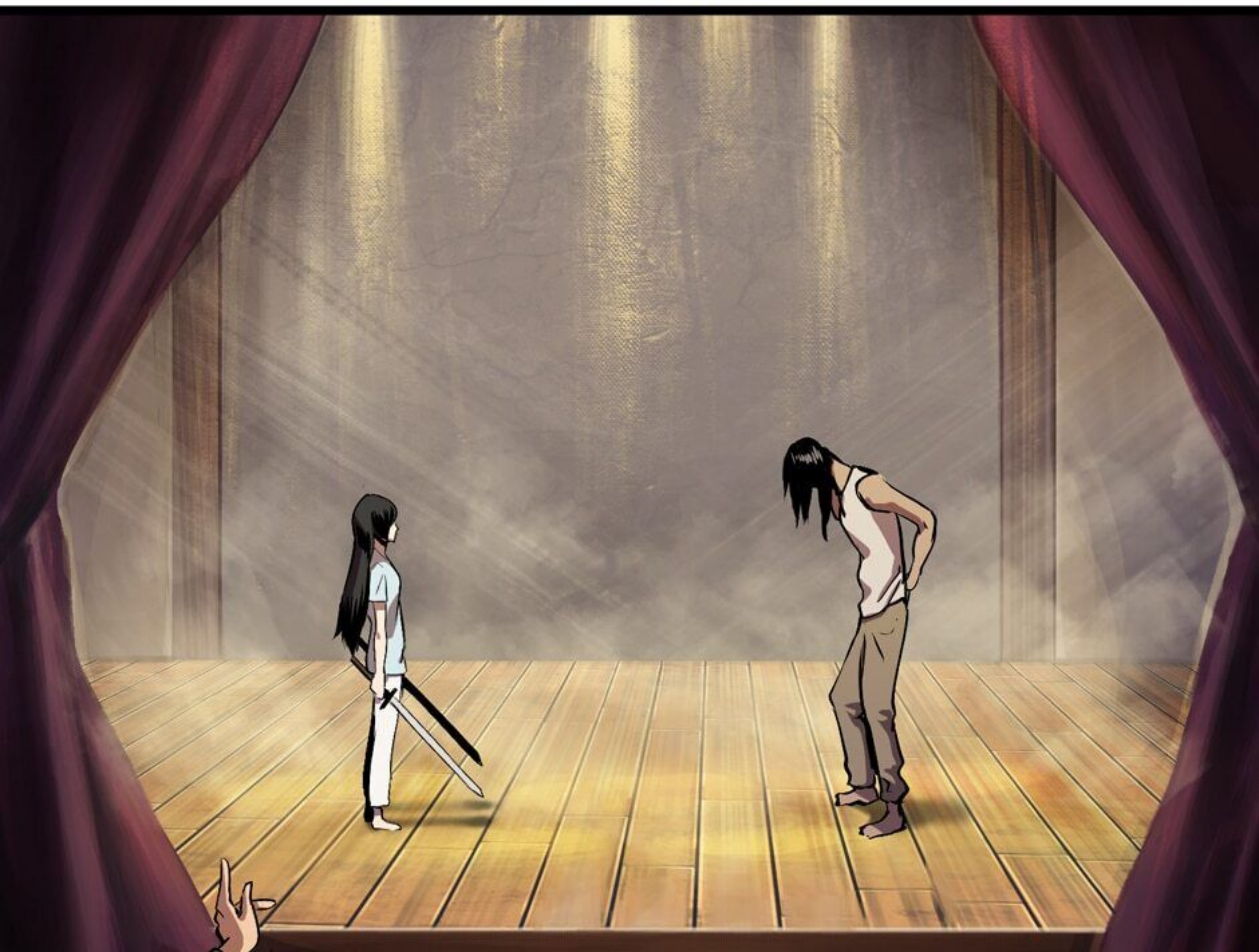


START THE GAME!

AT FIRST,
IT FELT VERY AWKWARD.

BUT THE MORE
AND MORE I USED IT,
THE MORE FAMILIAR
IT BECAME...

Lvl 37

THIS THING
CALLED THE GUIDE LINE.

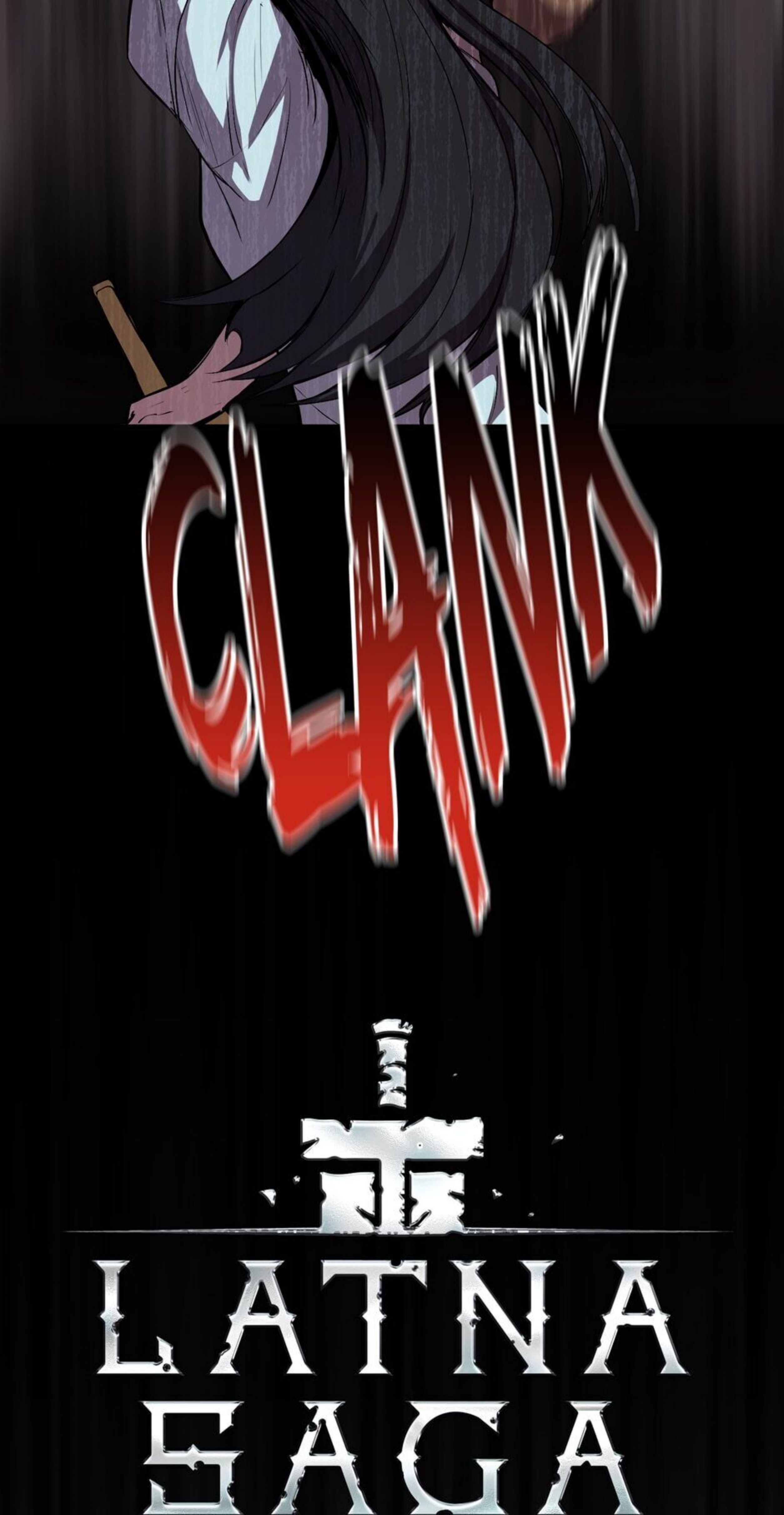
I'M SURE THAT YOU CAN SEE MY LEVEL IS HIGHER THAN YOURS, RIGHT?
Lvl 34
...

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BEGGING FOR YOUR LIFE IN TEARS?

BEGGING...

...IS USELESS AROUND HERE.

SHWOOK
THAT'S GOOD NEWS FOR ME TOO, THEN!!


CLANK
LATNA
GAGA

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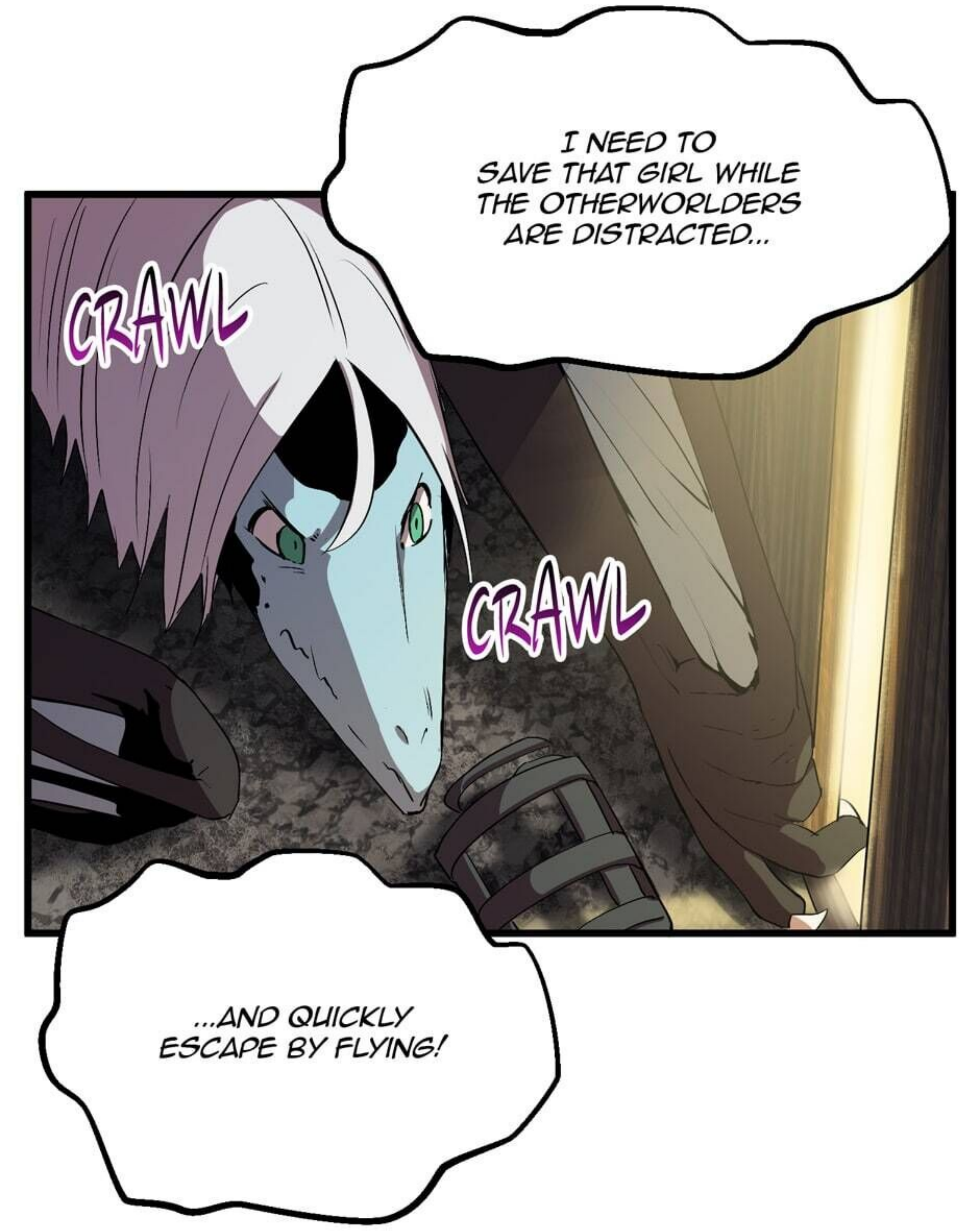
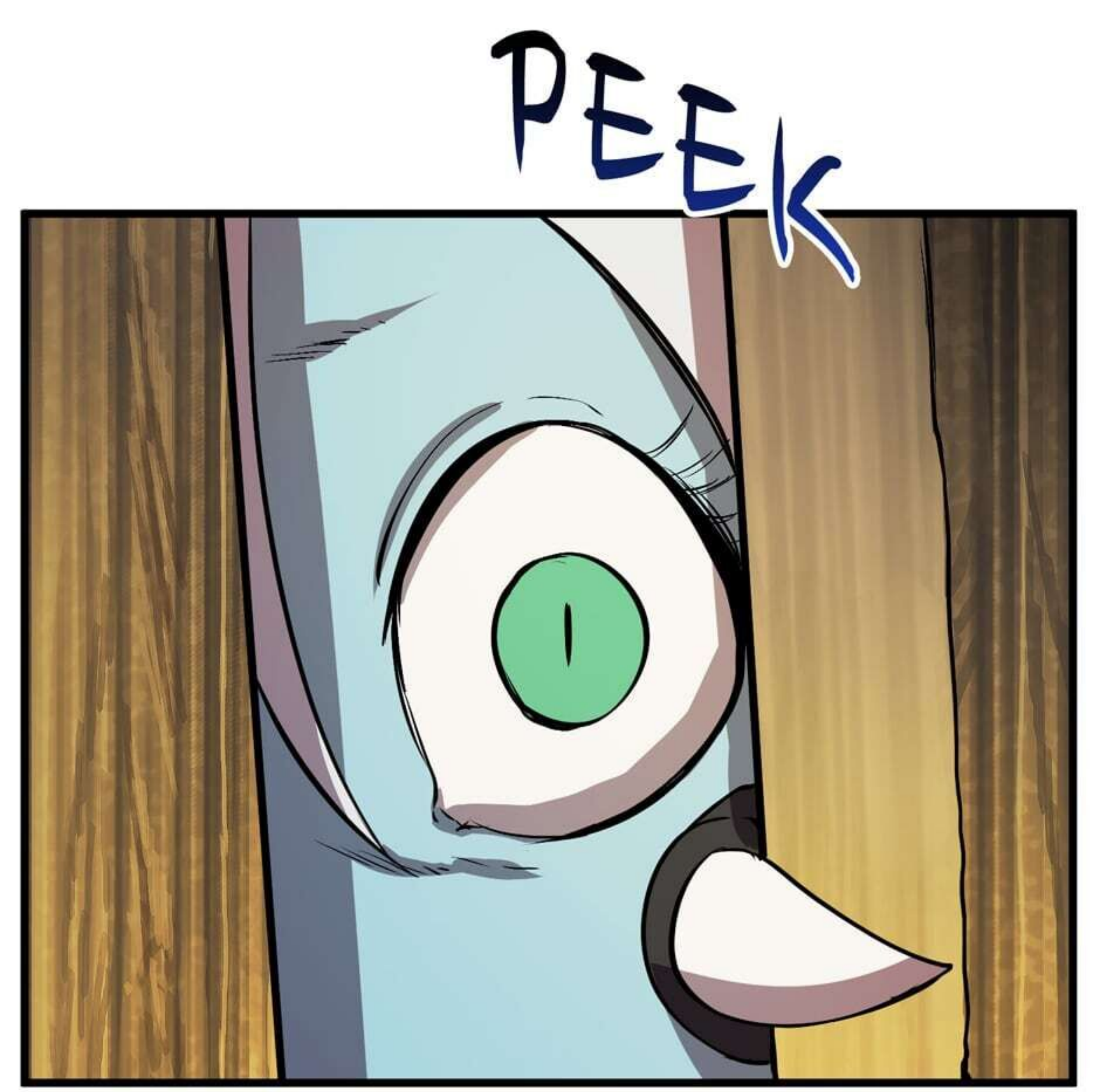
CLIK
TATAK
SHWAA
UGH...

WHAT AM I DOING?
OTHERWORLDERS DO SCARE ME, BUT...
UGH
I WAS ONCE AN ACE AMONG THE KINGDOM'S FLYING DRAGON KNIGHTS!


I NEED TO SAVE THAT GIRL WHILE THE OTHERWORLDERS ARE DISTRACTED...
CRAWL
CRAWL
...AND QUICKLY ESCAPE BY FLYING!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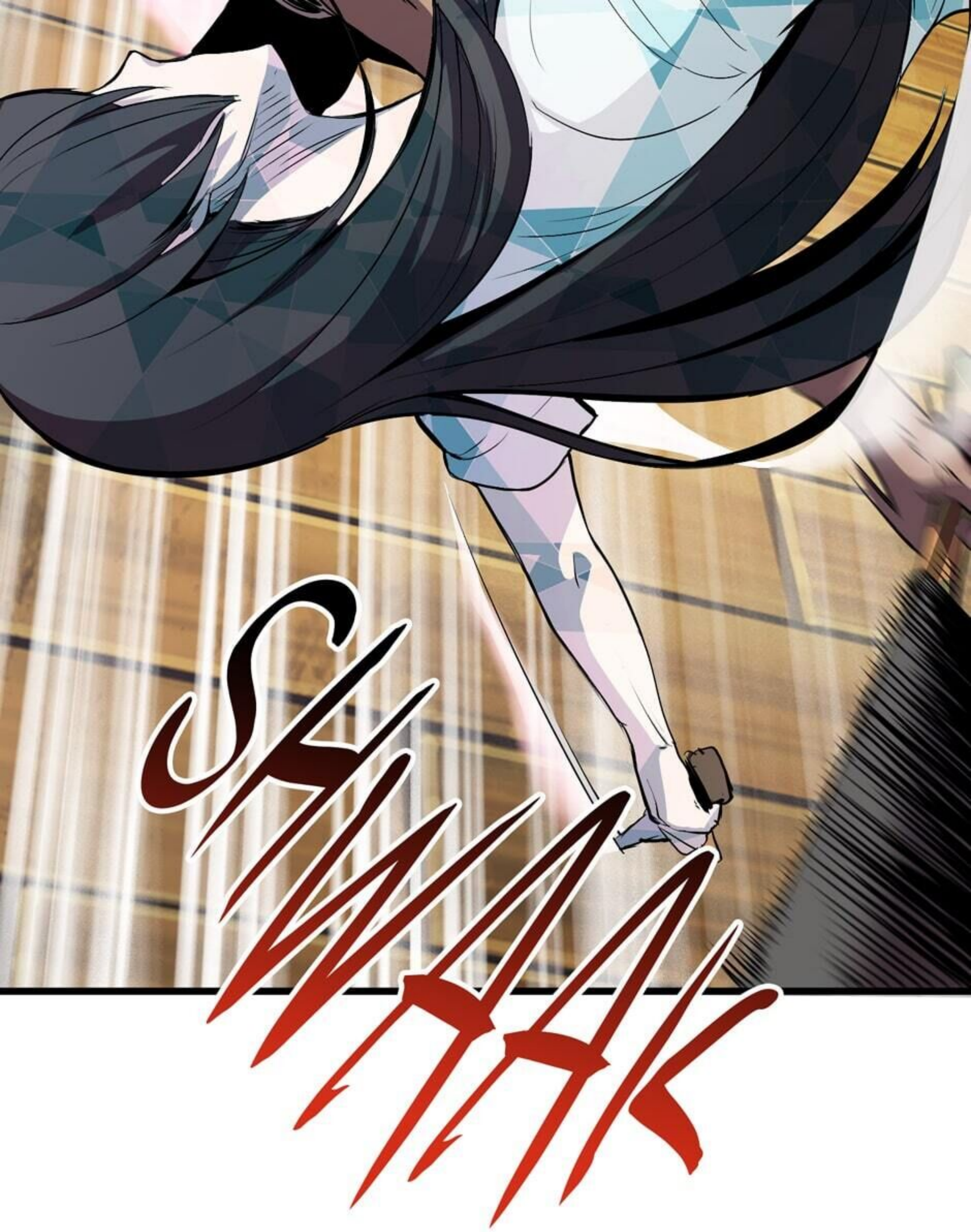
FSHWEK
TAK


SHAK

TAK

CREAK

TAK

SHE'S...
DANCING?

HOW BAFFLING...

MAYBE YOU SHOULD TRY SOMETHING MORE PROVOCATIVE.

I THINK YOU'RE BORING THE AUDIENCE.

ALL THE MORE REASON

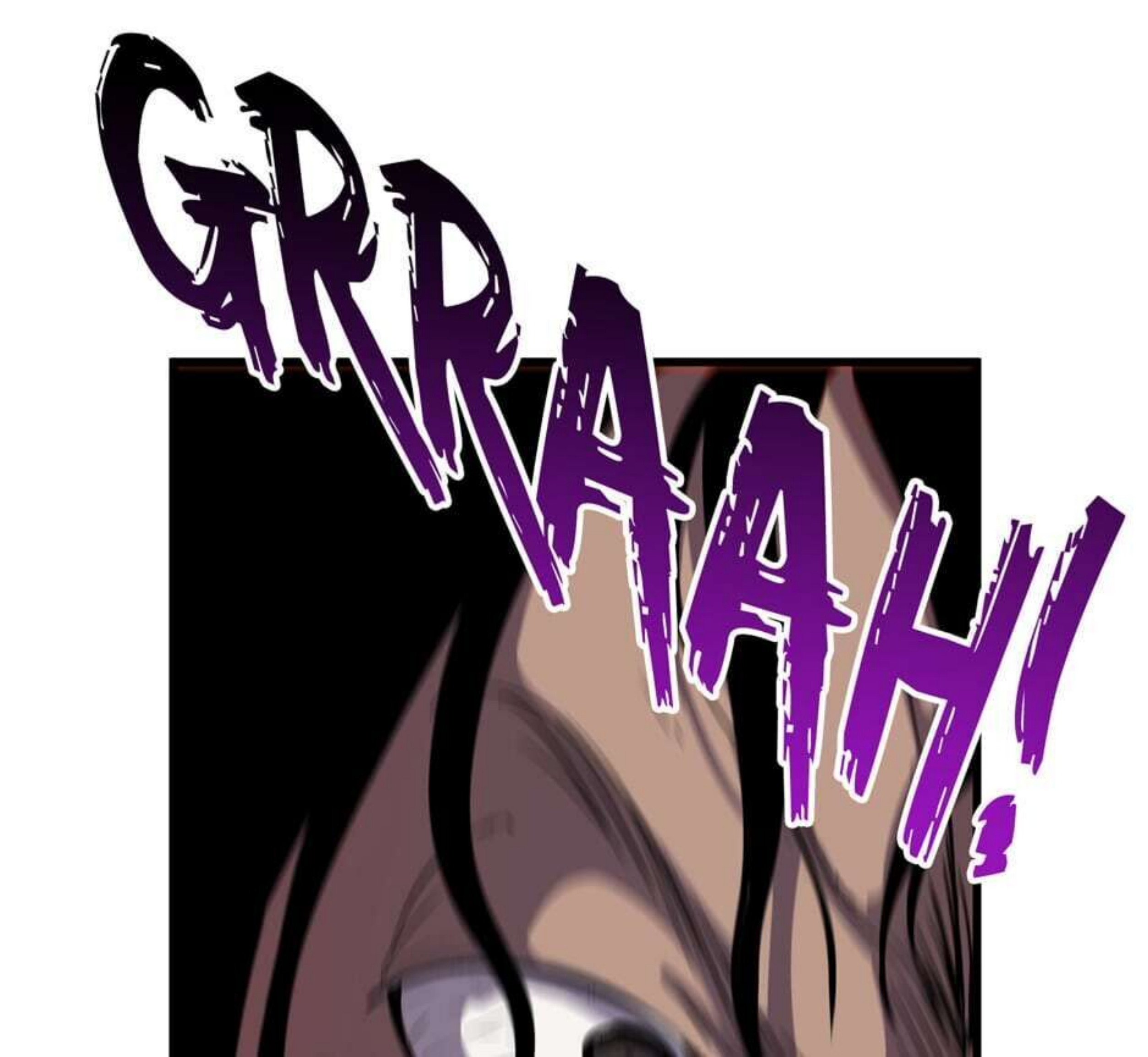
SRRK

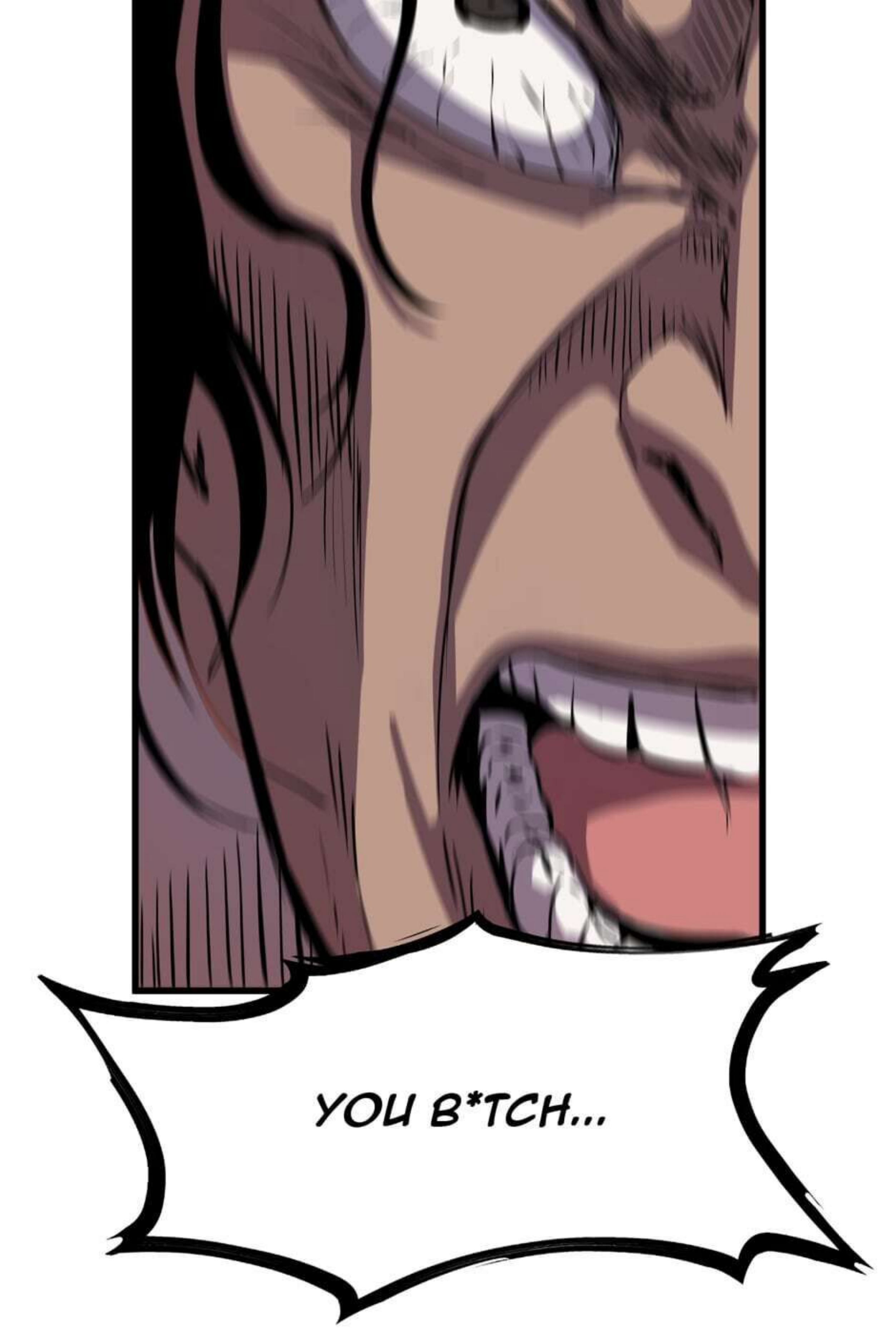
THAT YOU SHOULD'VE

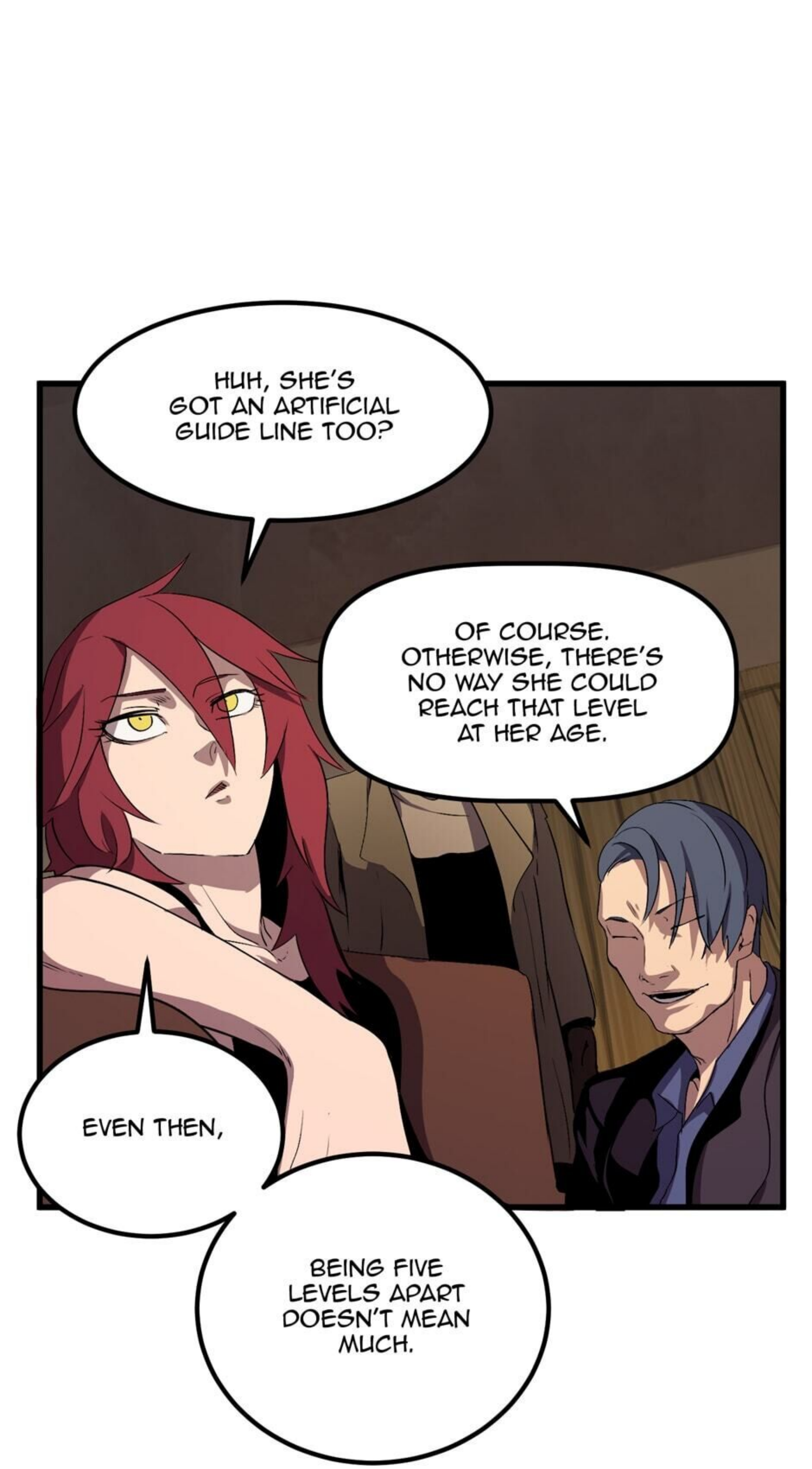
SHOULD'VE CLEANED YOURSELF UP FIRST.

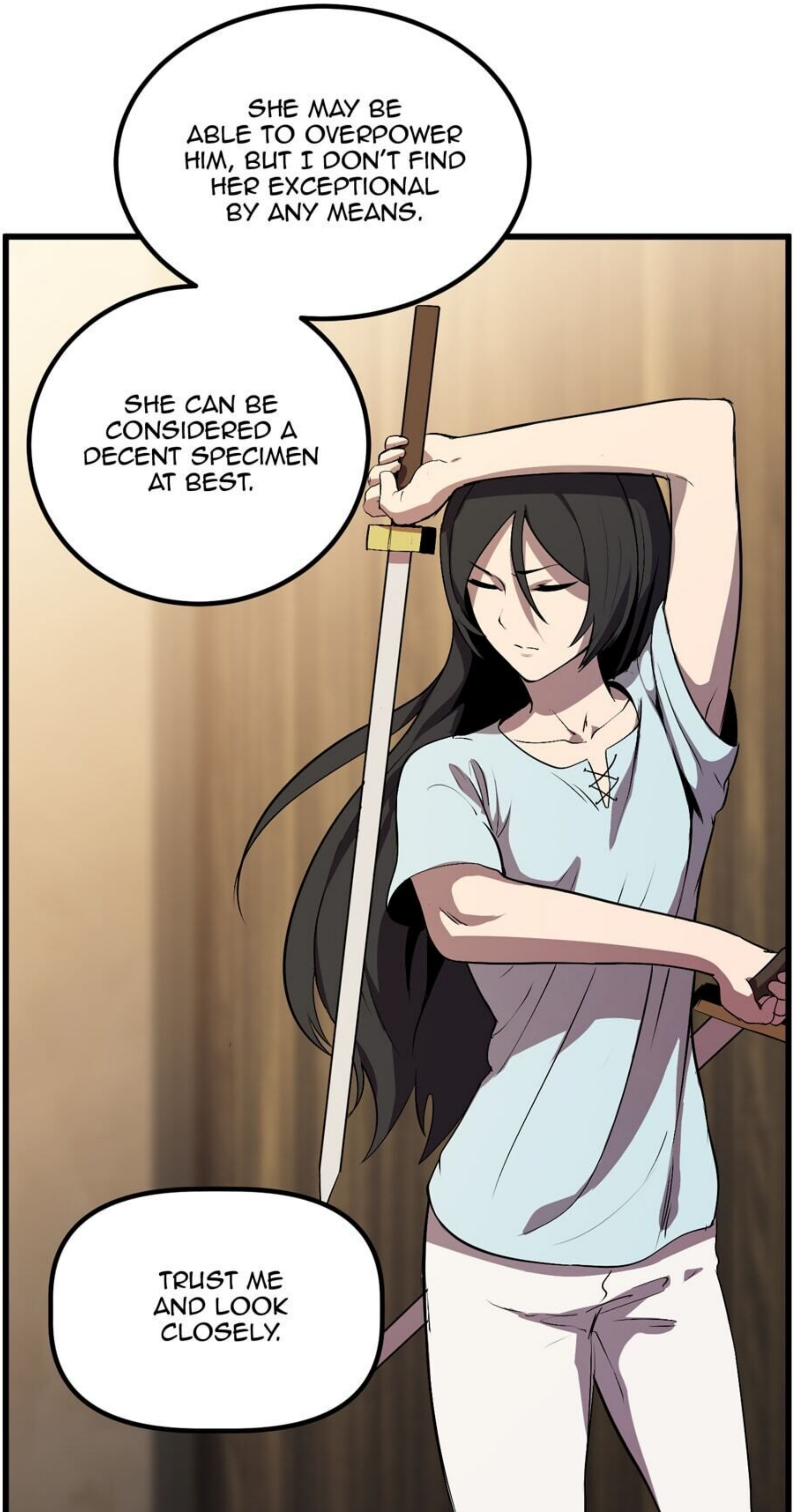
SHWAAAK

I DO HOPE YOU LIKE YOUR NEW HAIRCUT.

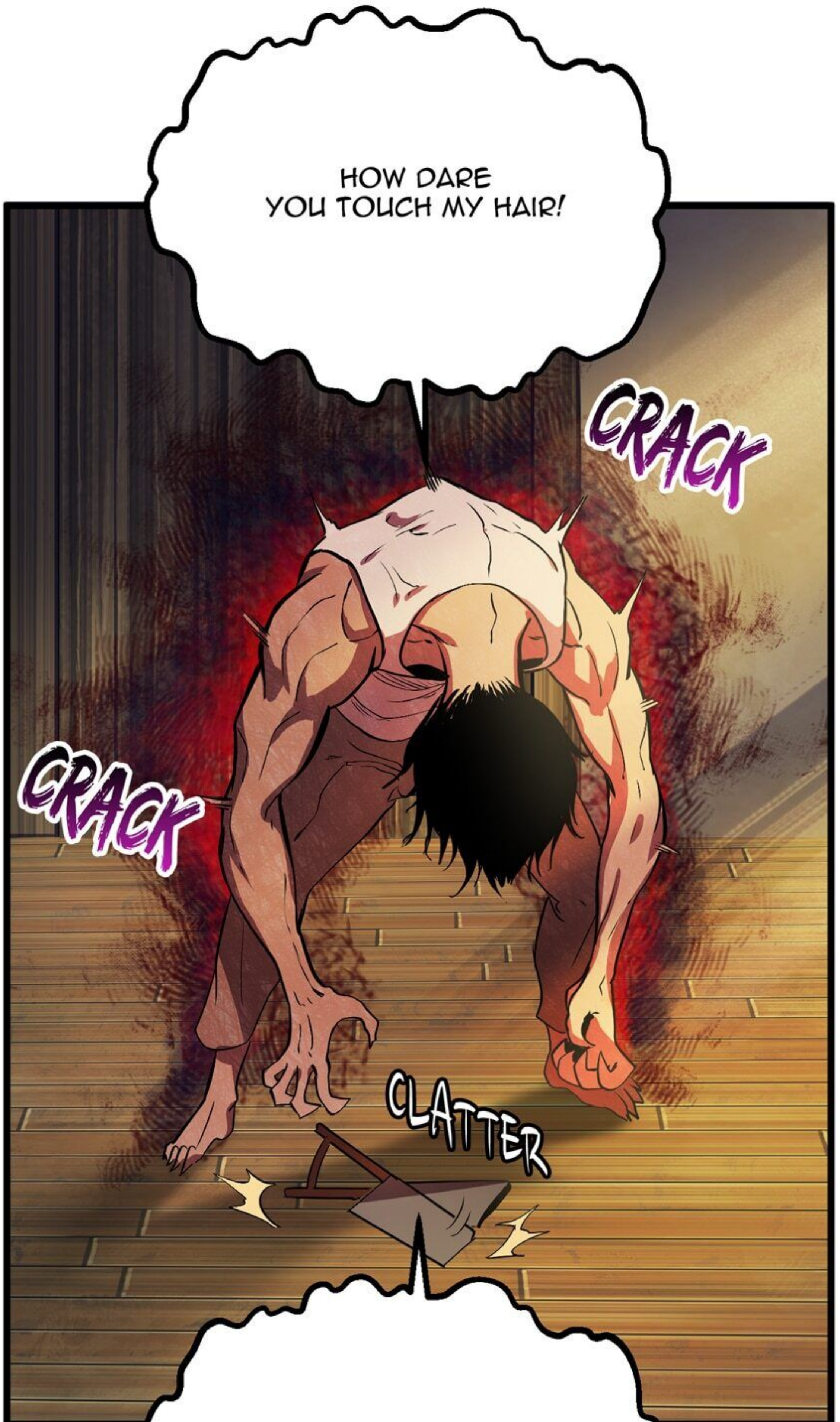



YOU B*TCH...


HUH, SHE'S GOT AN ARTIFICIAL GUIDE LINE TOO?
OF COURSE. OTHERWISE, THERE'S NO WAY SHE COULD REACH THAT LEVEL AT HER AGE.
EVEN THEN,
BEING FIVE LEVELS APART DOESN'T MEAN MUCH.

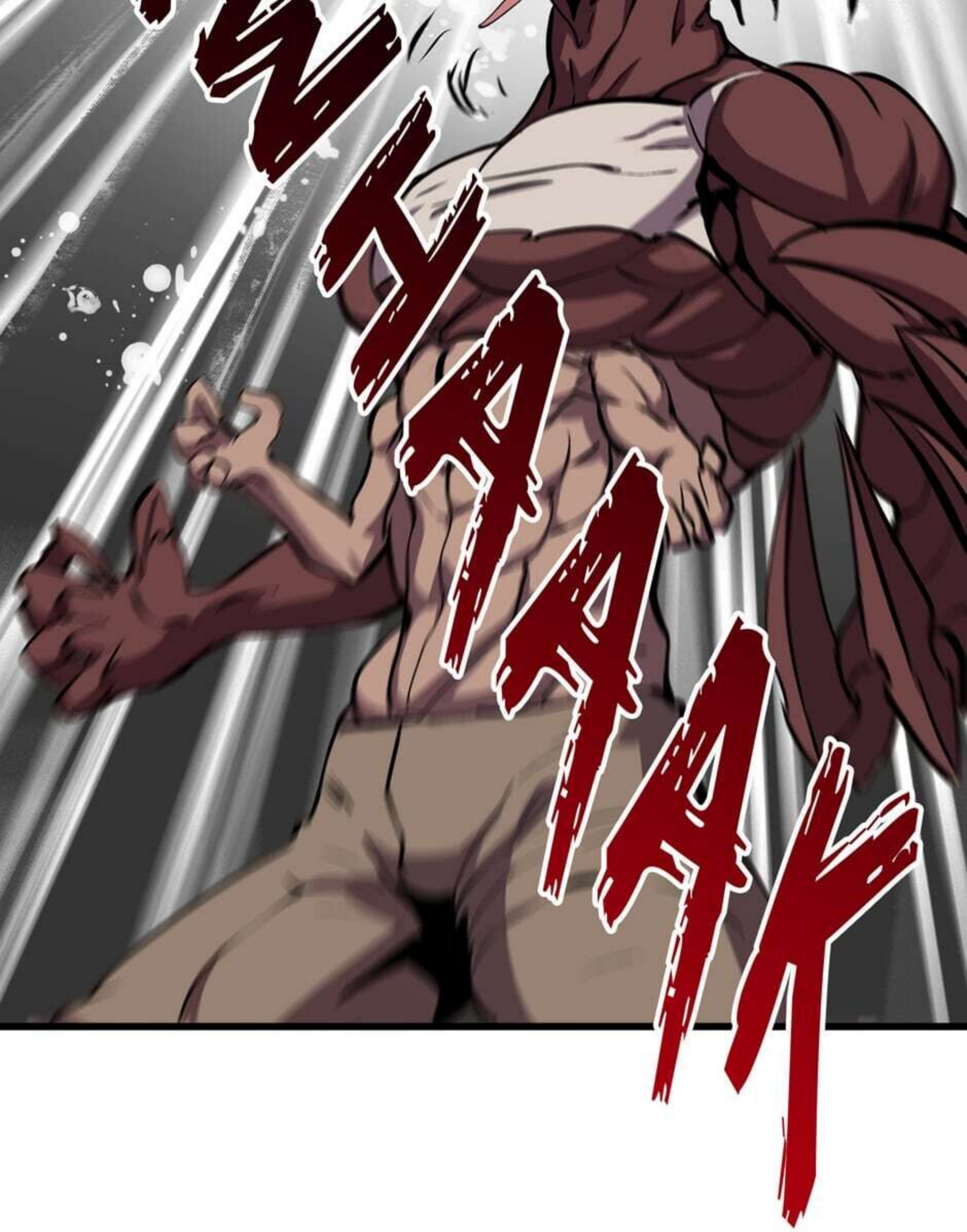

SHE MAY BE ABLE TO OVERPOWER HIM, BUT I DON'T FIND HER EXCEPTIONAL BY ANY MEANS.
SHE CAN BE CONSIDERED A DECENT SPECIMEN AT BEST.
TRUST ME AND LOOK CLOSELY.

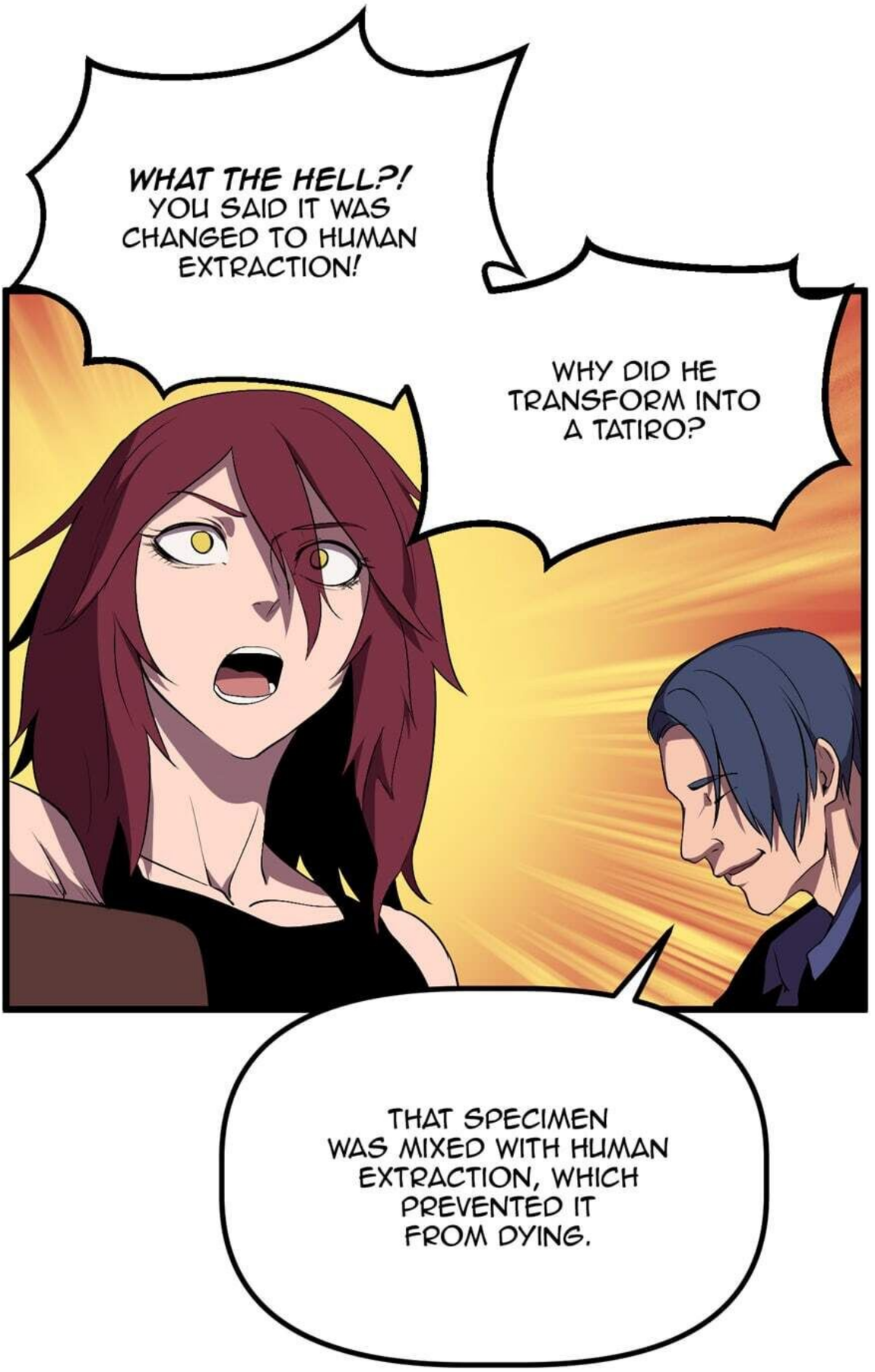
HER EYES...
SHE'S BLIND?

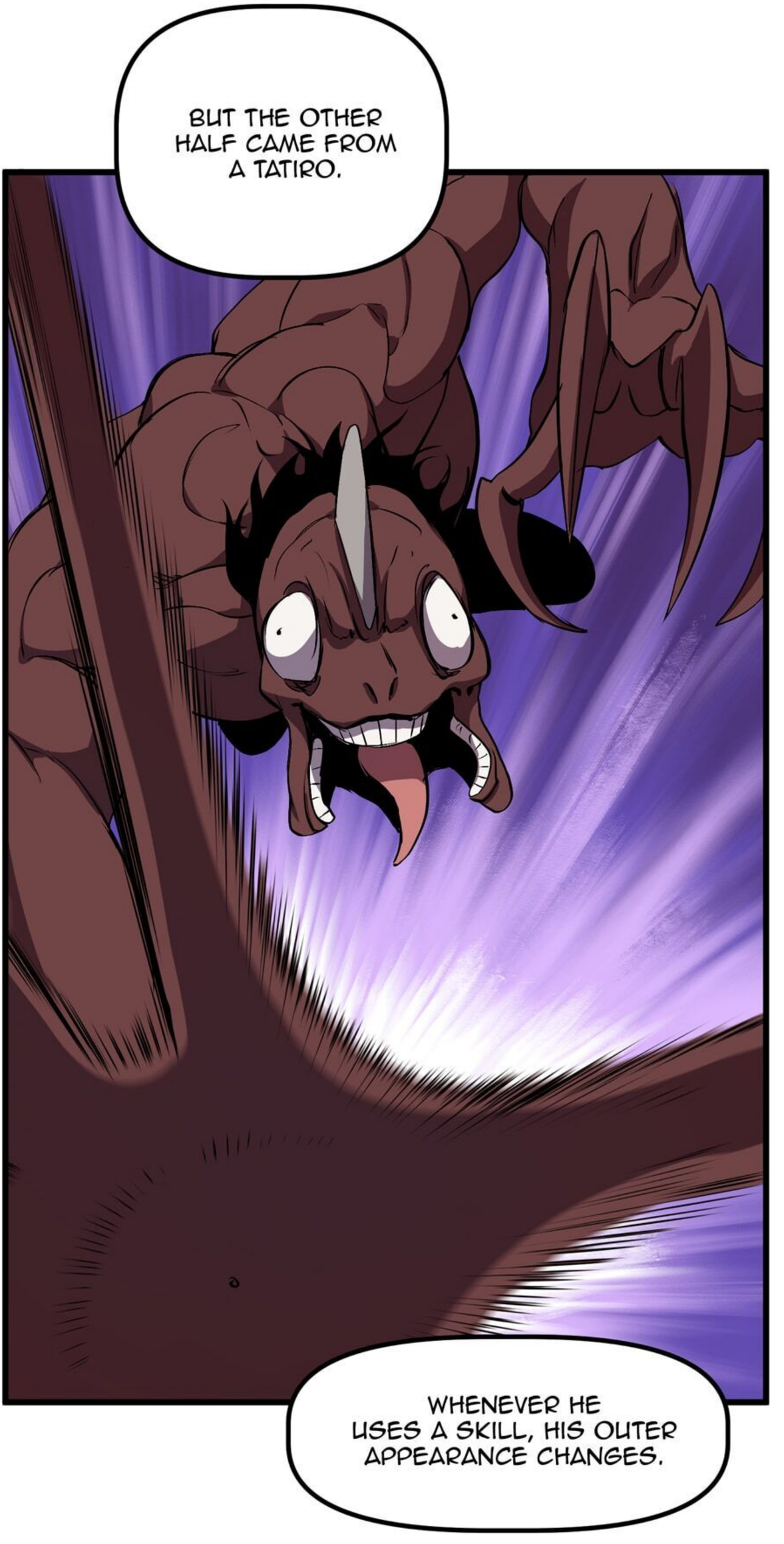

HOW DARE YOU TOUCH MY HAIR!
CRACK
CRACK
CLATTER

YOU'RE DEAD.

ATTACK
NO...
I'M GONNA
RIP YOU INTO PIECES!!


咔咔咔

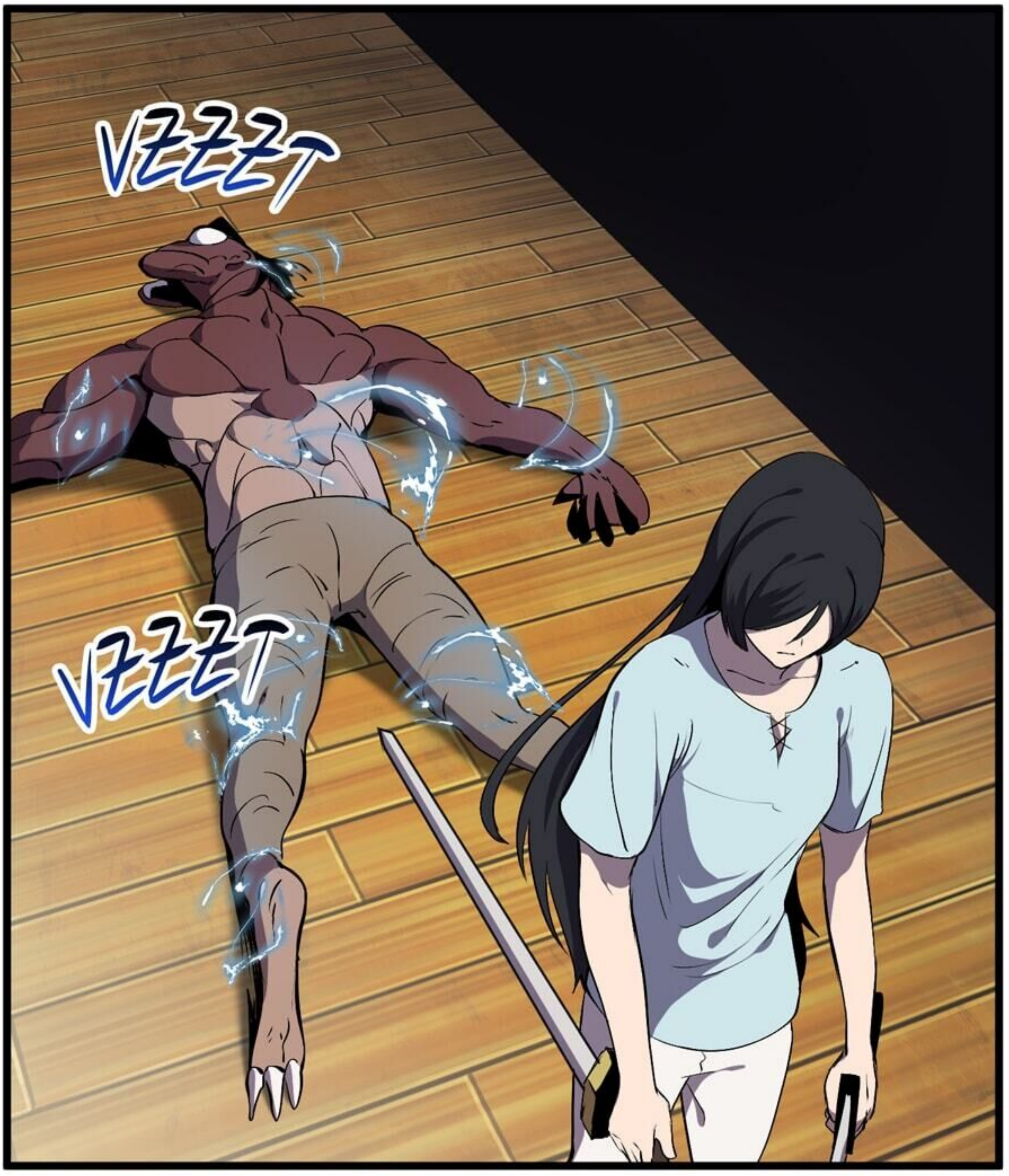

WHAT THE HELL?! YOU SAID IT WAS CHANGED TO HUMAN EXTRACTION!
WHY DID HE TRANSFORM INTO A TATIRO?
THAT SPECIMEN WAS MIXED WITH HUMAN EXTRACTION, WHICH PREVENTED IT FROM DYING.

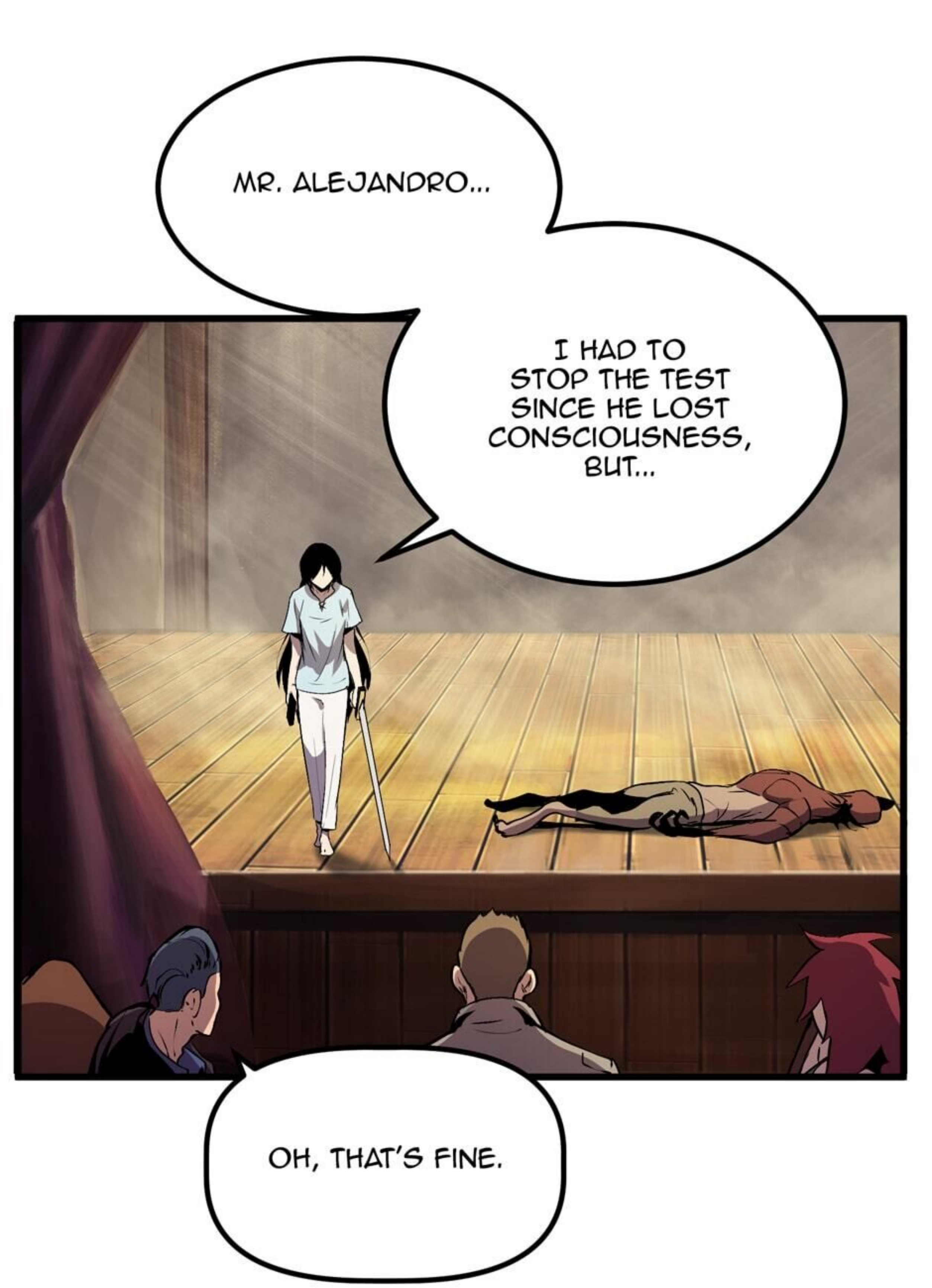

BUT THE OTHER HALF CAME FROM A TATIRO.
WHENEVER HE USES A SKILL, HIS OUTER APPEARANCE CHANGES.

FLASH

FSHOOM
THE ONLY WAY TO PREVENT THE SIDE EFFECTS IS TO USE HUMAN EXTRACTION.

VZZZZZ
VZZZZZ
DAMN IT...

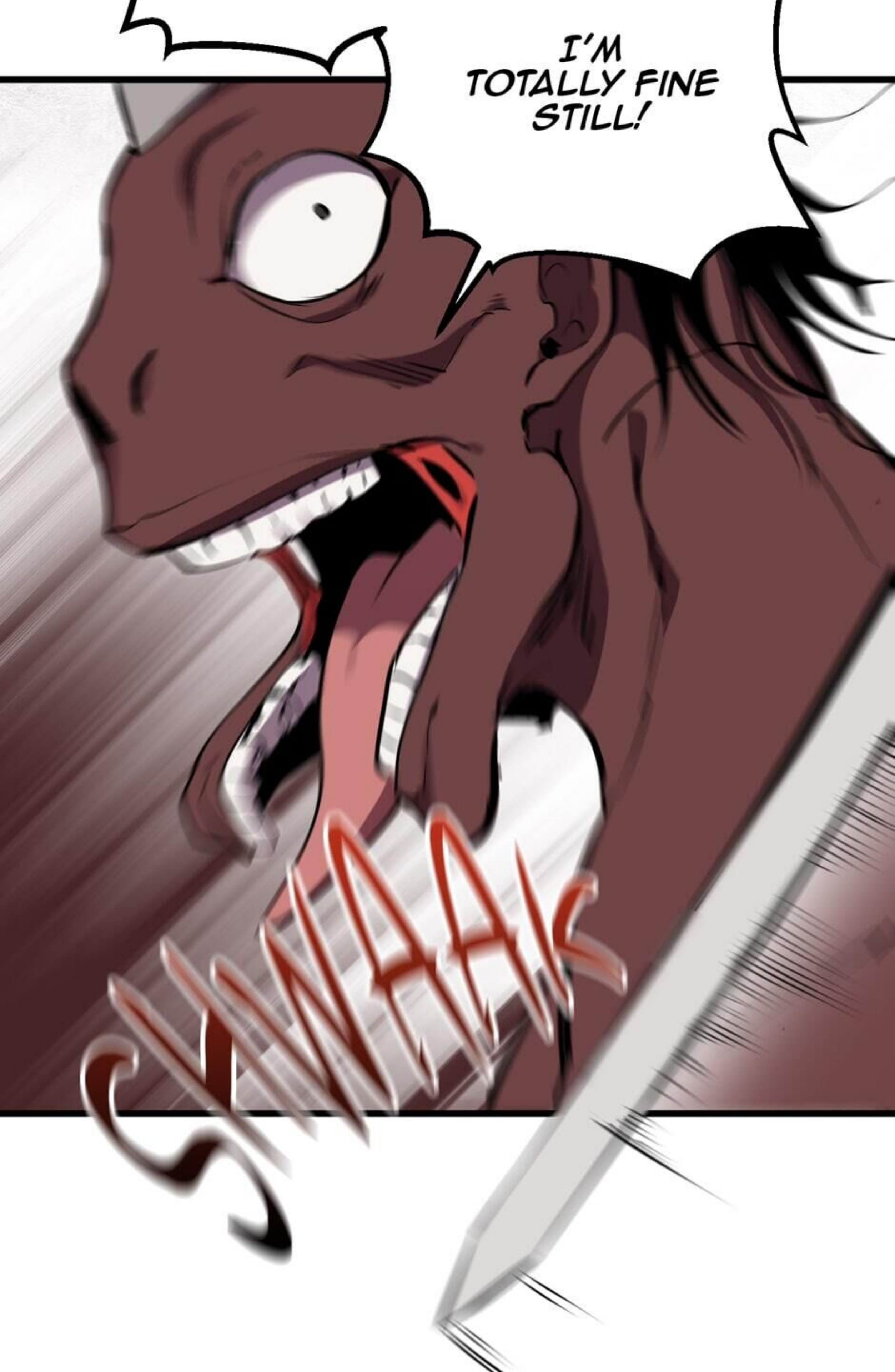

VZZZT
VZZZT

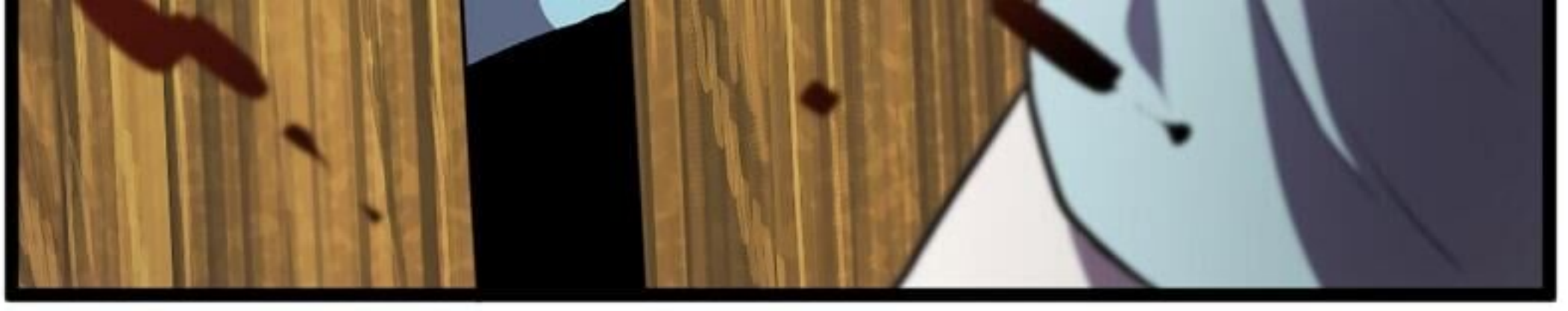

MR. ALEJANDRO...
I HAD TO STOP THE TEST SINCE HE LOST CONSCIOUSNESS, BUT...
OH, THAT'S FINE.

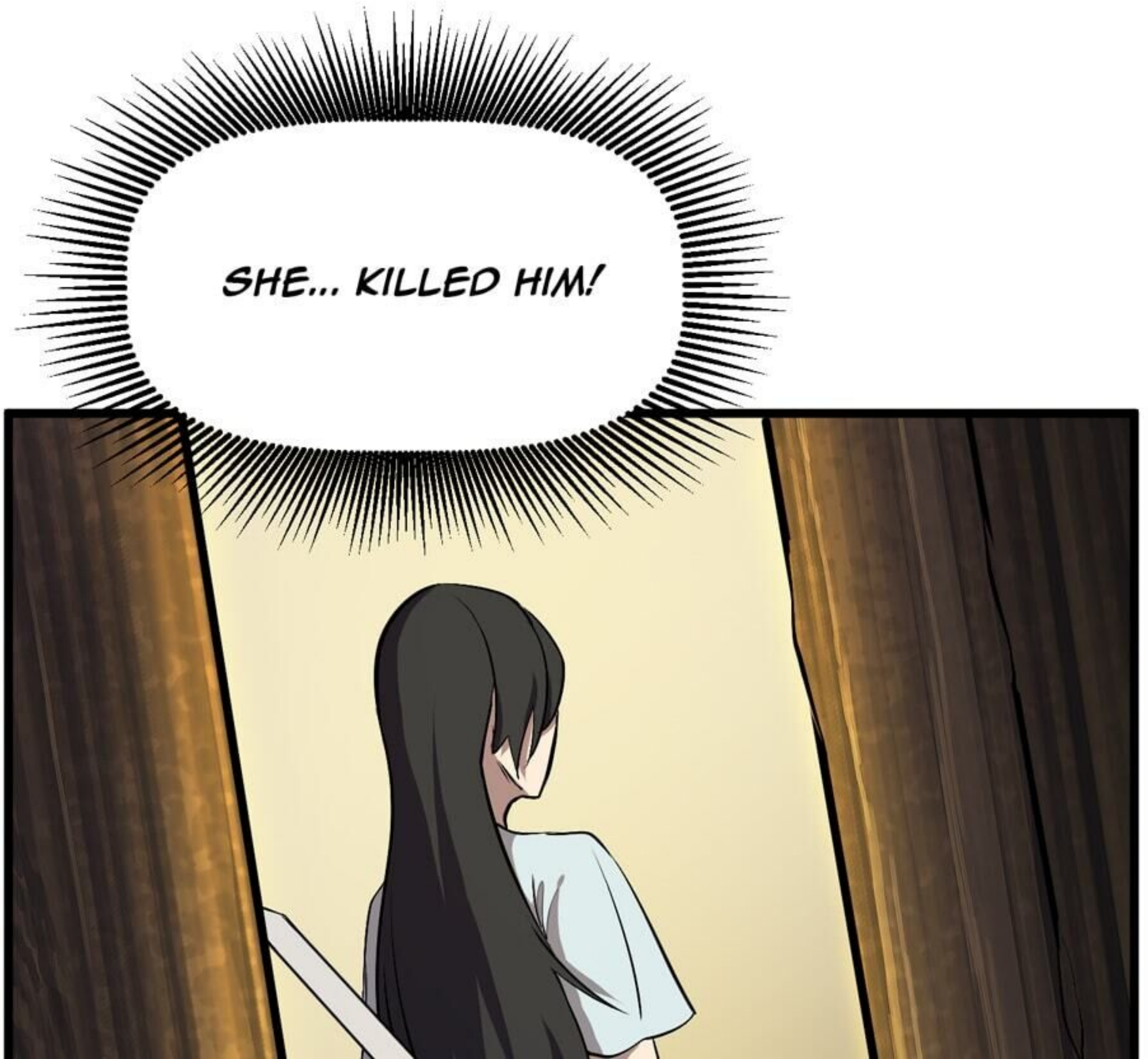
HE WASN'T USEFUL ANYWAY.
FRP
FRP
CAN YOU TAKE CARE OF HIM BEFORE HE STARTS TO MAKE MORE NOISE?

WH-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!

I'M TOTALLY FINE STILL!






SHE... KILLED HIM!

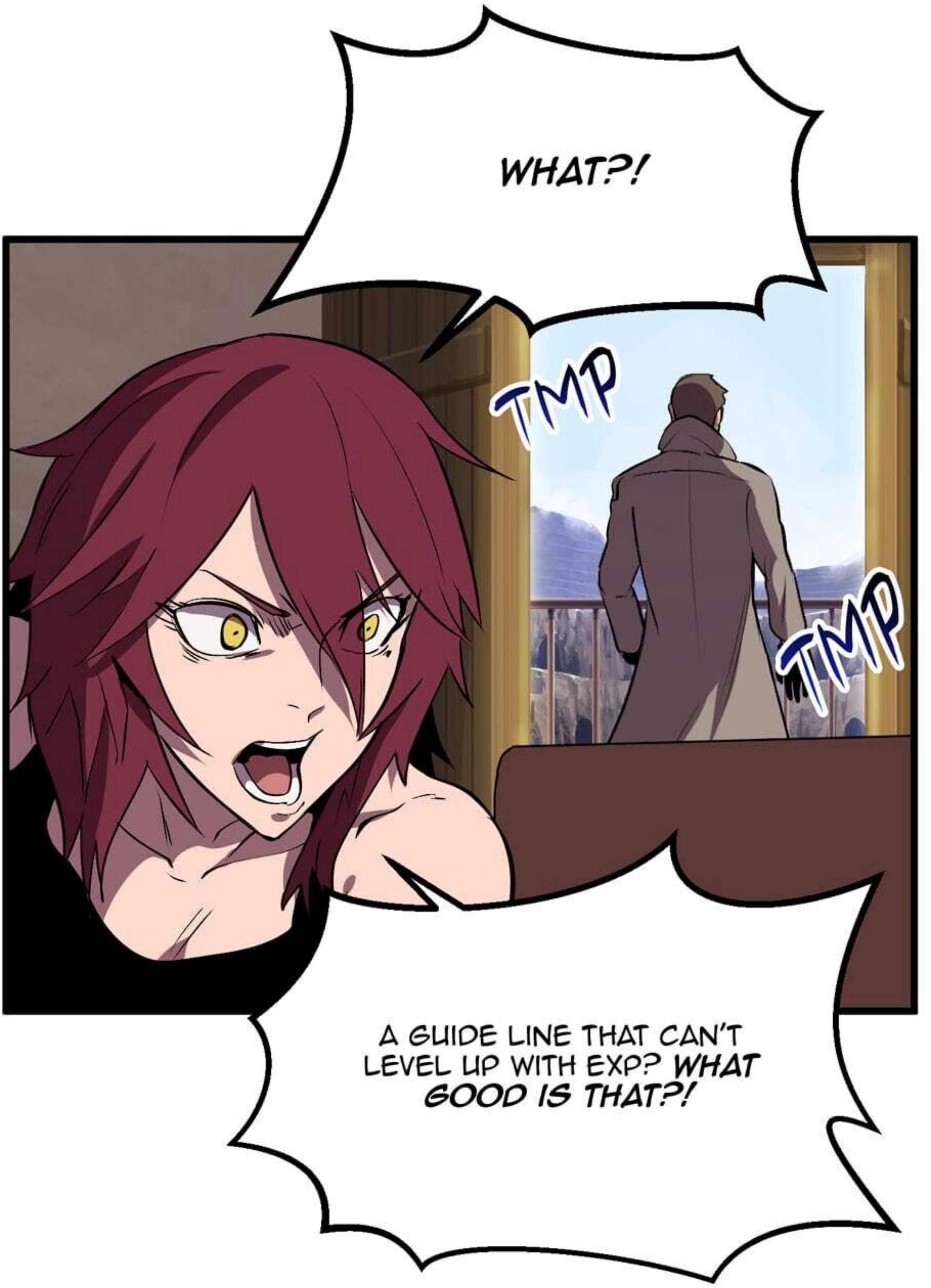
HE DID TURN
INTO A MONSTER, BUT
HE WAS STILL A FELLOW
LATNIAN JUST LIKE HERSELF!

SHE DIDN'T EVEN BLINK OR HESITATE, AND JUST OBEYED HIS COMMAND...!
IT'S DONE, SIR.

YOU SAID THAT THE GIRL'S BLIND?
THEN SHE MUST'VE LEARNED SWORD FIGHTING AND MAGIC SWORD SKILLS FROM THE GUIDE LINE.
SHE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO SEE, BUT SHE'S GOT AN EXCELLENT SENSE OF DETECTING DANGER AND THE FOUR MAJOR ENERGIES.

DOESN'T THAT MEAN... THE ARTIFICIAL GUIDE LINE IS NOW COMPLETE?
WHY DIDN'T YOU REPORT IT TO *HIM*?

WITH THE HUMAN EXTRACTION GUIDE LINE...
YOUR LEVEL STILL WON'T GO UP EVEN WHEN YOU KILL YOUR ENEMIES.


WHAT?!
TMP
TMP
A GUIDE LINE THAT CAN'T LEVEL UP WITH EXP? WHAT GOOD IS THAT?!

WE'RE NOT THE ONLY ONES WITH THE POWER TO LEVEL UP BY ABSORBING

ENERGY FROM THE ENEMIES WE'VE KILLED.

TAK

THE DUNGEON MONSTERS ALSO HAVE THAT POWER.

WELL... WE DID EXPERIMENT WITH MONSTERS, BUT THERE WERE SIDE EFFECTS, LIKE YOU JUST SAW.

THE SOURCE OF THAT POWER LIES ELSEWHERE.

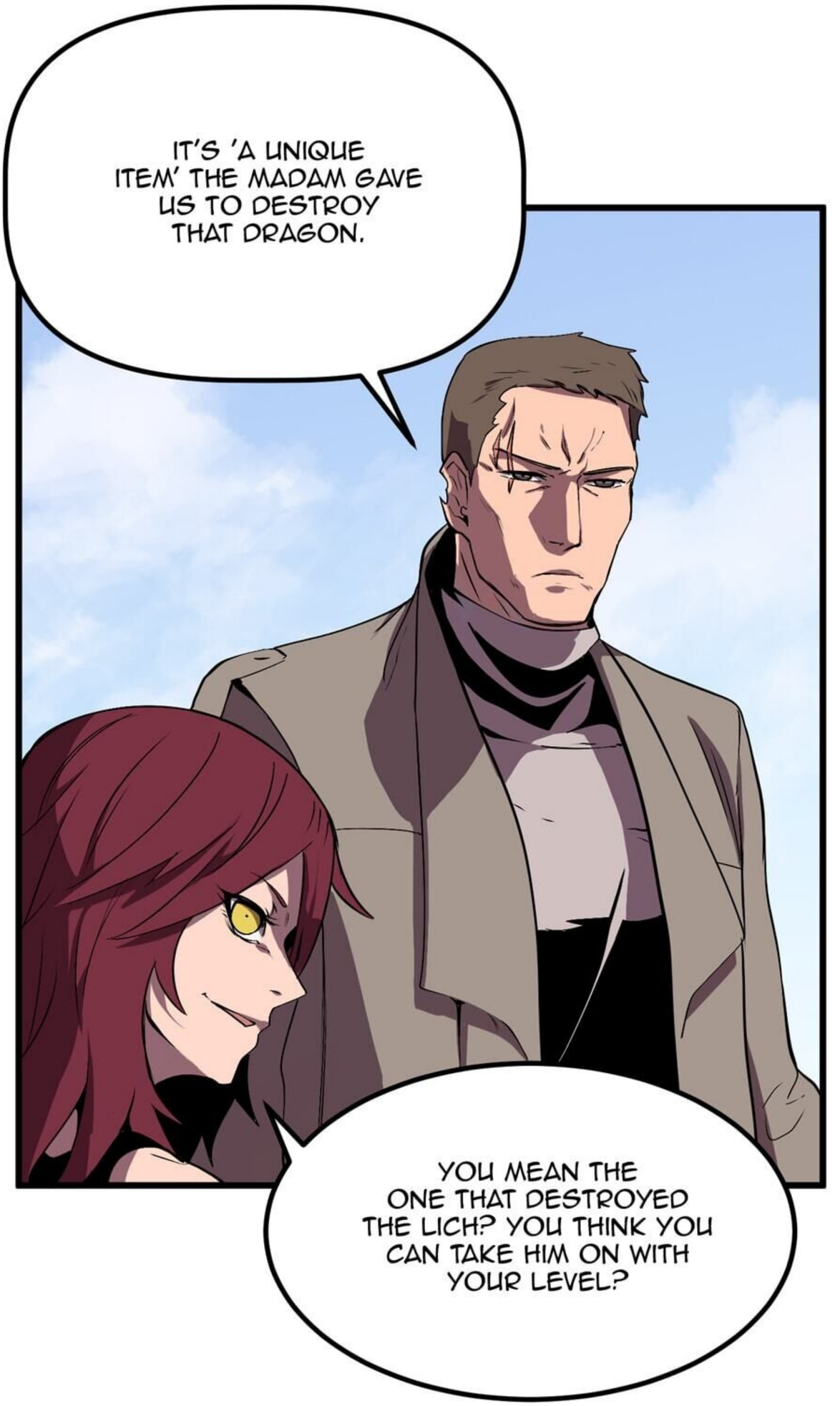
...

ARE YOU BY CHANCE REFERRING TO... A *DRAGON CORE...?*

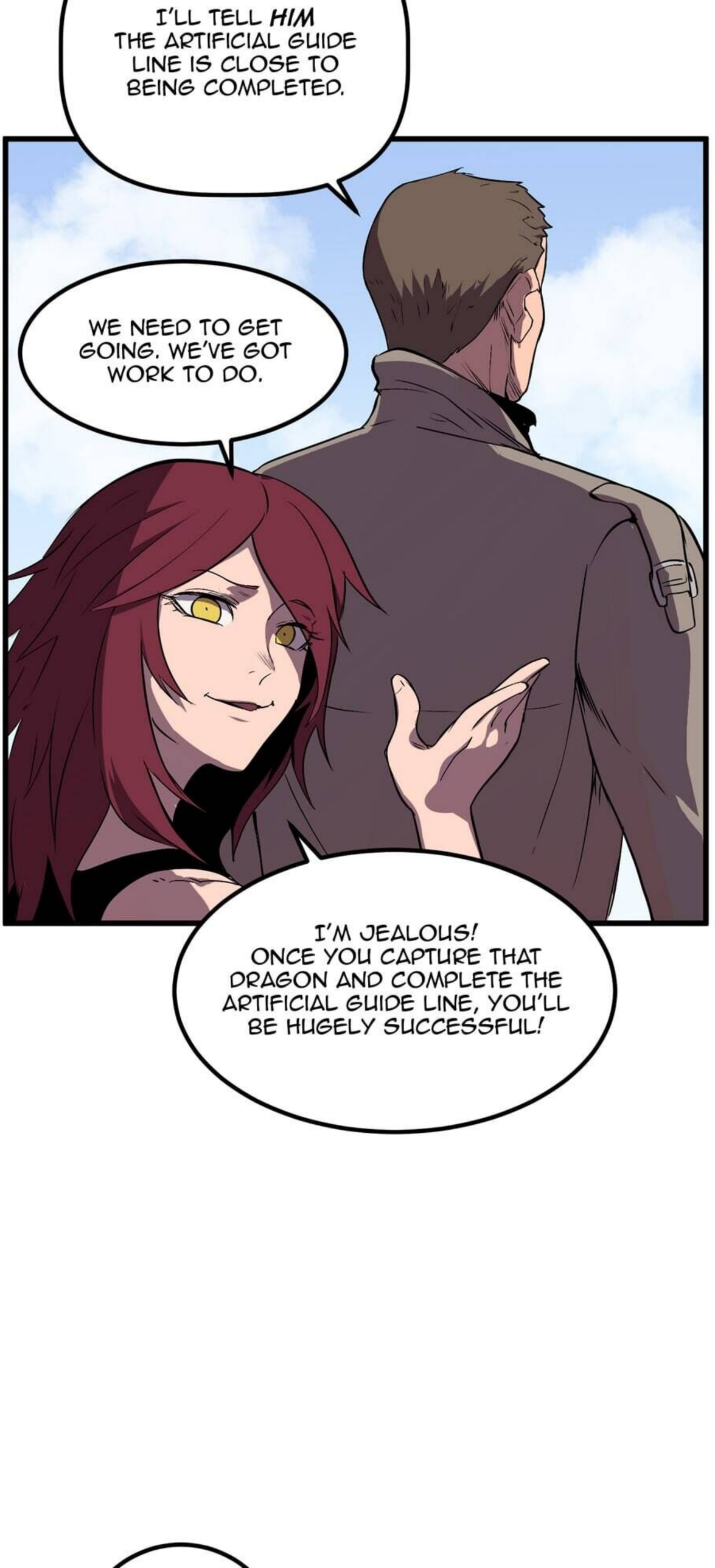
UP UNTIL NOW, IT'S BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO EXPERIMENT ON AN OLD DRAGON SINCE WE'RE IN AN ALLIANCE TOGETHER.
SK

SHWOOK

BUT IT'S A DIFFERENT STORY IF IT'S FROM A TRAITOR.
FRP
TAK
THIS IS...!


IT'S 'A UNIQUE ITEM' THE MADAM GAVE US TO DESTROY THAT DRAGON.
YOU MEAN THE ONE THAT DESTROYED THE LICH? YOU THINK YOU CAN TAKE HIM ON WITH YOUR LEVEL?

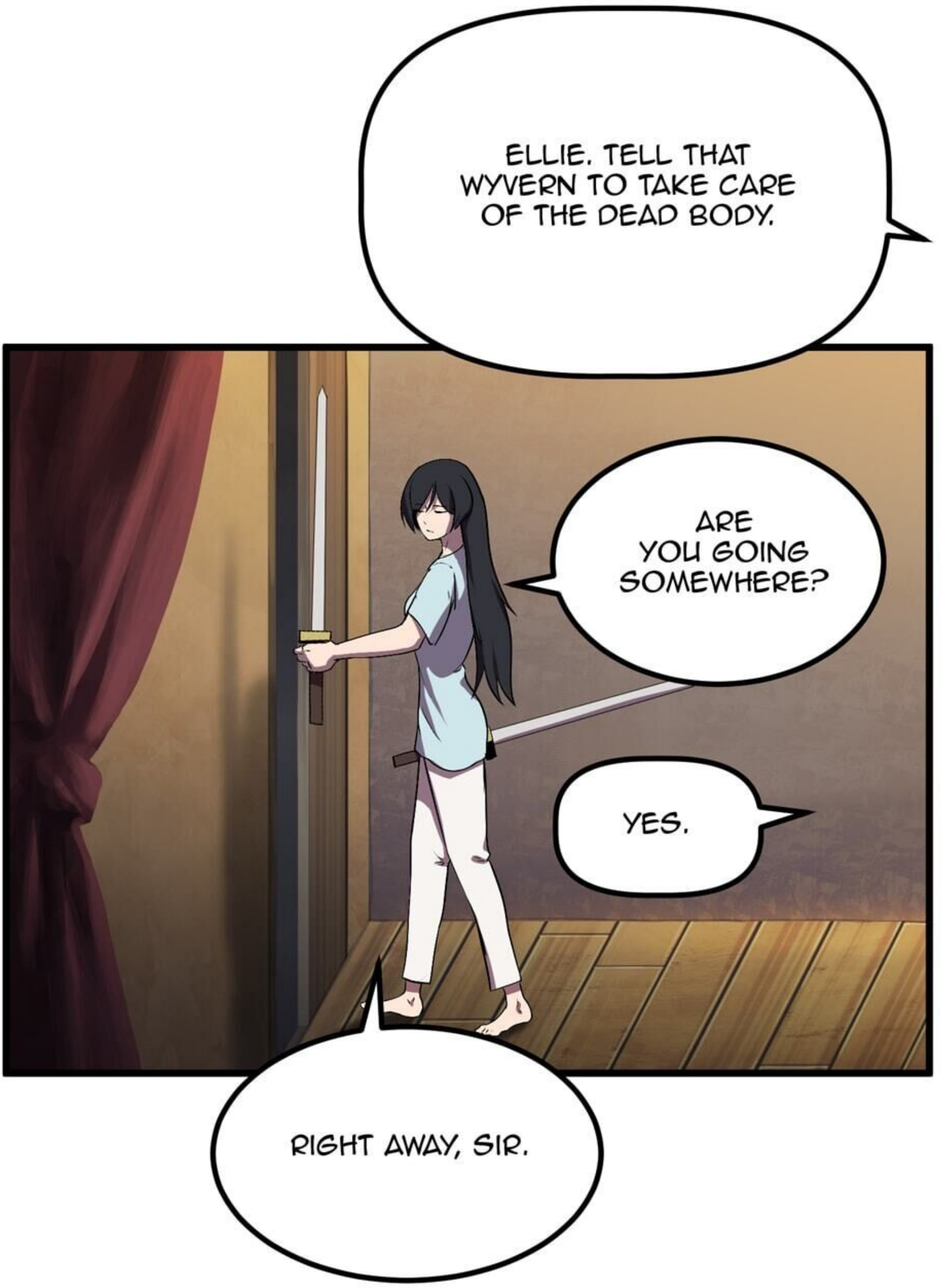
HOW TIMELY! WE'D BE LUCKY TO HAVE JUST AN ORDINARY ARTIFACT, BUT...
...SHE GAVE US A UNIQUE ITEM!


I'LL TELL *HIM* THE ARTIFICIAL GUIDE LINE IS CLOSE TO BEING COMPLETED.
WE NEED TO GET GOING. WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO.
I'M JEALOUS! ONCE YOU CAPTURE THAT DRAGON AND COMPLETE THE ARTIFICIAL GUIDE LINE, YOU'LL BE HUGELY SUCCESSFUL!

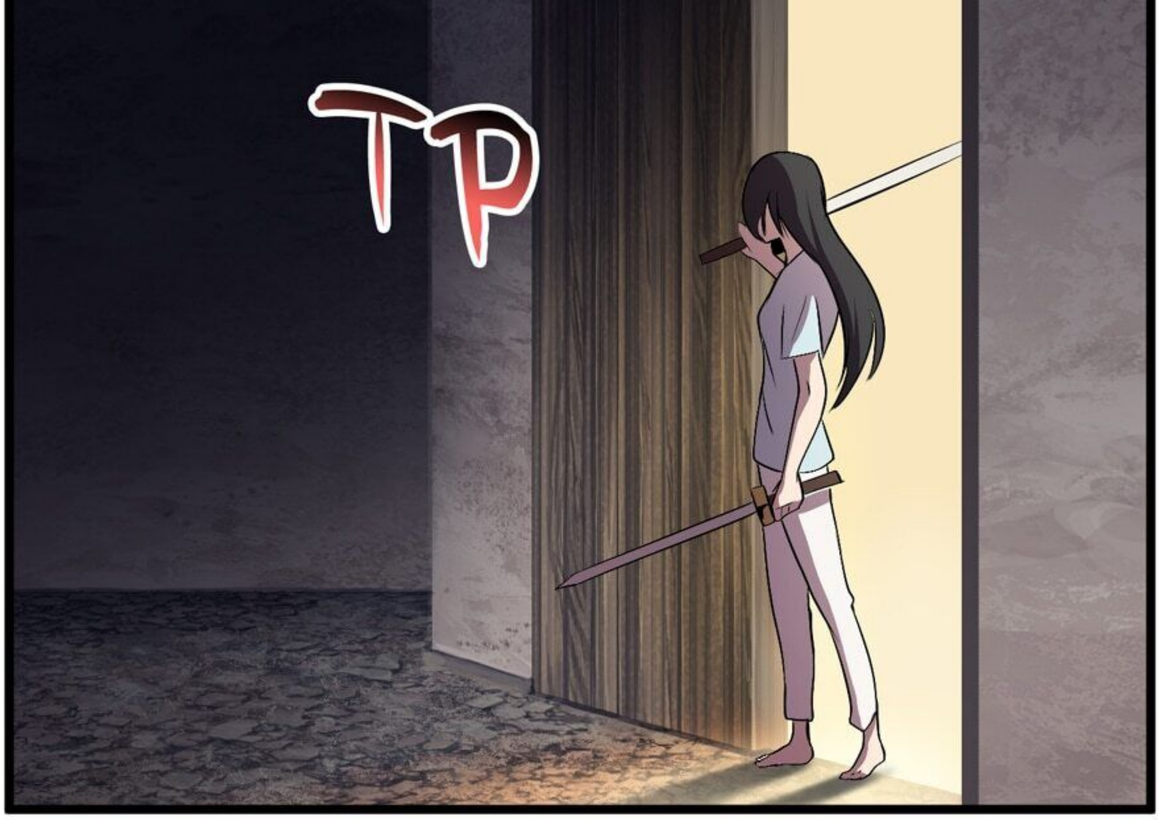
TAKE CARE THEN.

HAHA... SO YOU'RE TELLING ME...
...IT'S MY FAULT IF I CAN'T FIND THAT DRAGON?
I'M SERIOUSLY STUCK NOW.

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO FIND A DRAGON THAT TRANSFORMED INTO A HUMAN WITHOUT USING THE TRACING SKILL...?
...TCH.


ELLIE. TELL THAT WYVERN TO TAKE CARE OF THE DEAD BODY.
ARE YOU GOING SOMEWHERE?
YES.
RIGHT AWAY, SIR.

DRRRK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EXPERIMENT?

GUIDE LINE?

HAA

DRAGON?

HAA

SO SHE WORKS FOR ALEJANDRO TOO?

EVERYONE'S GONE MAD!!

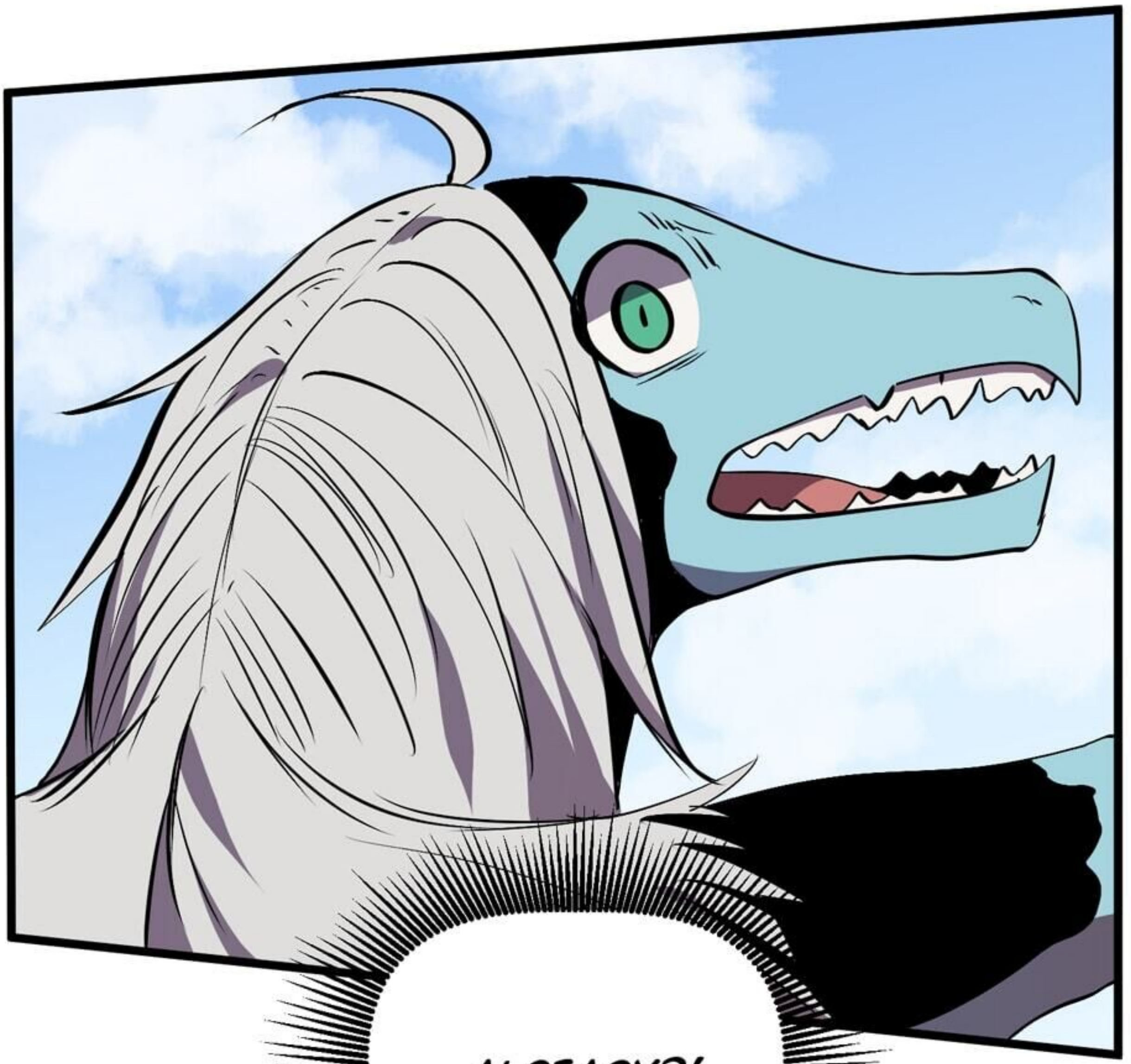
THUD
THUD
THUD
THERE'S NO WAY I'LL MAKE IT OUT OF HERE ALIVE!!

I BETTER GET OUT OF HERE AS QUICKLY AS I CAN!
THUD
THUD
THUD

BOOM

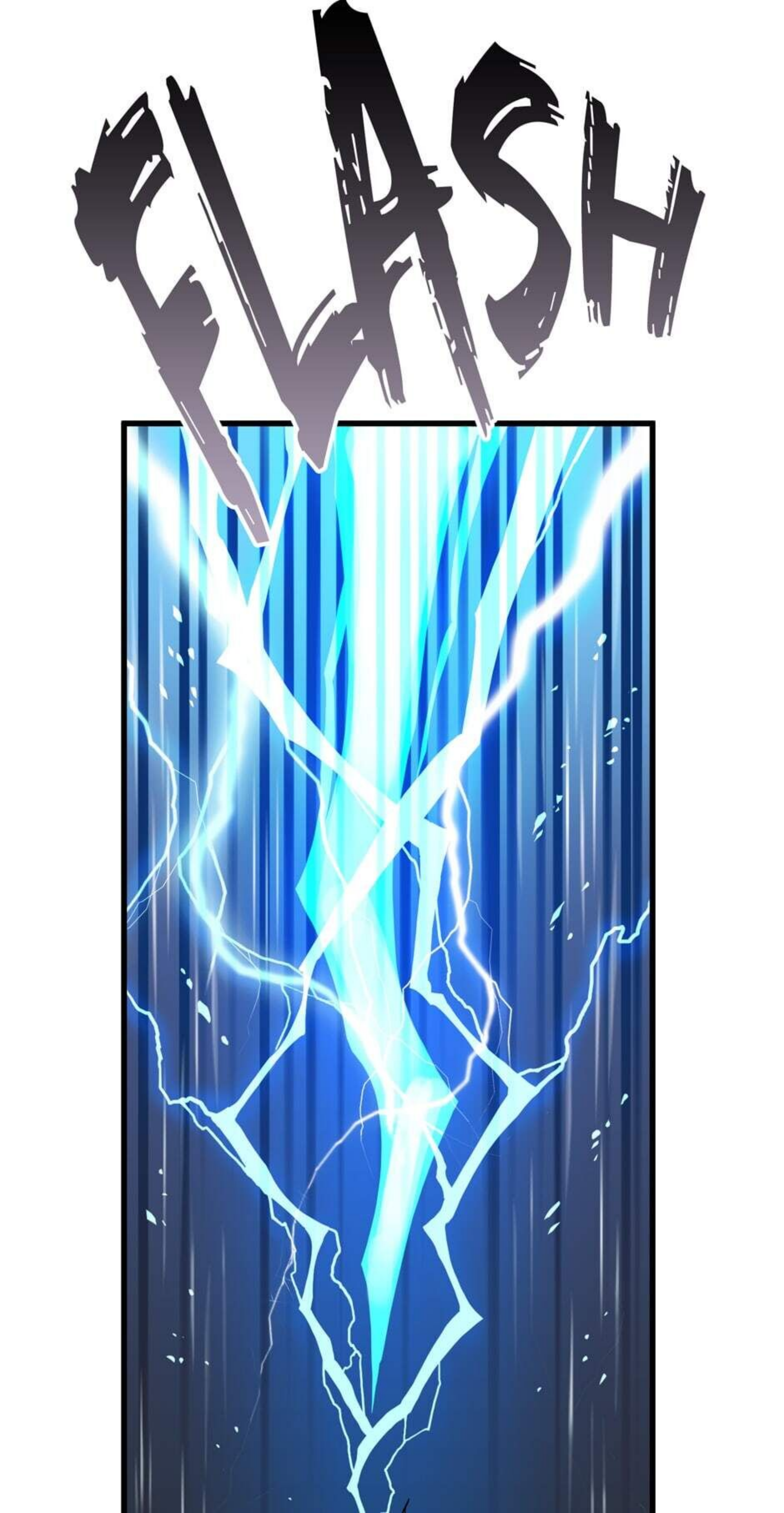
TAKA
TAKA

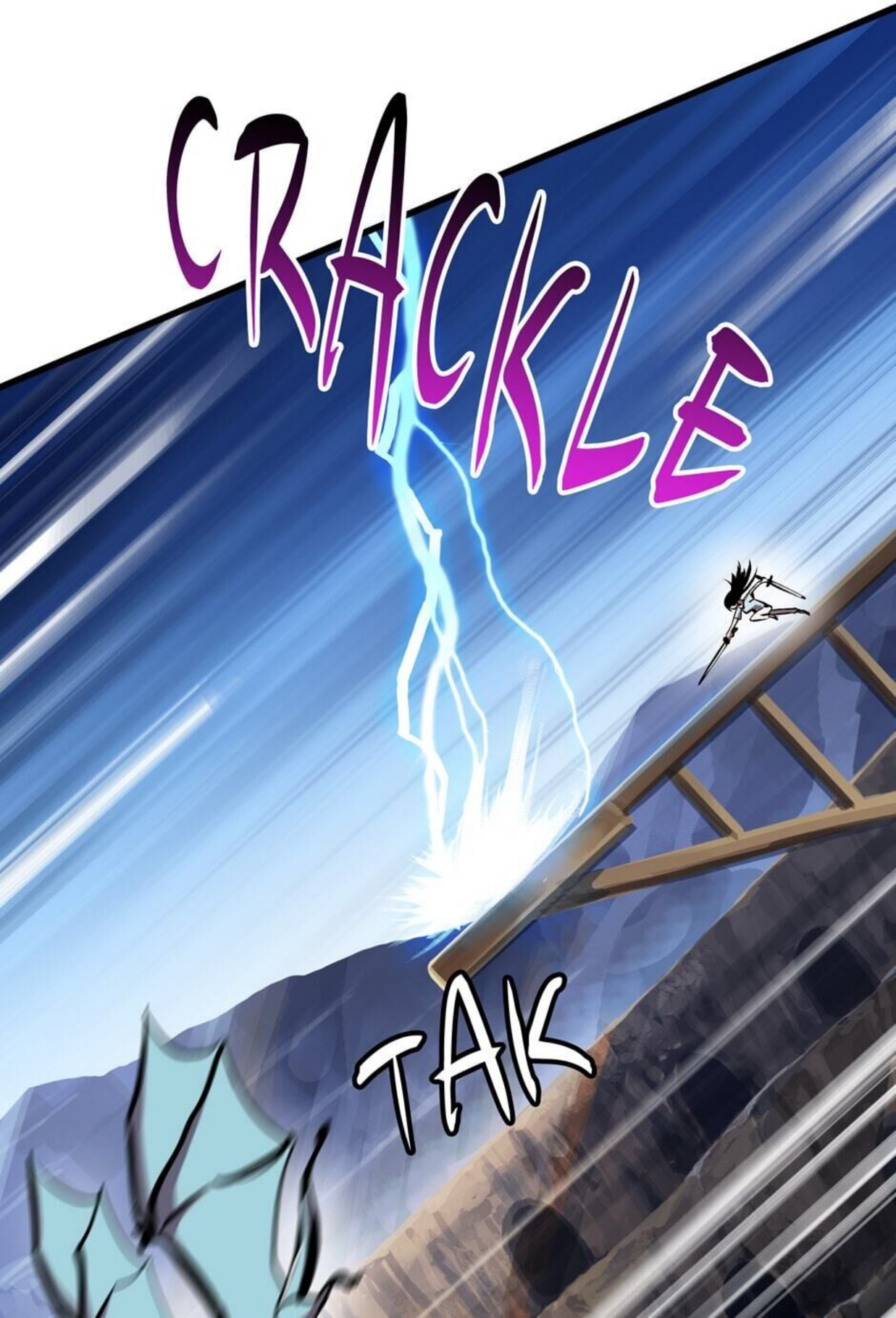
STOP!!



SHE'S CATCHING UP TO ME!

ZZZZ

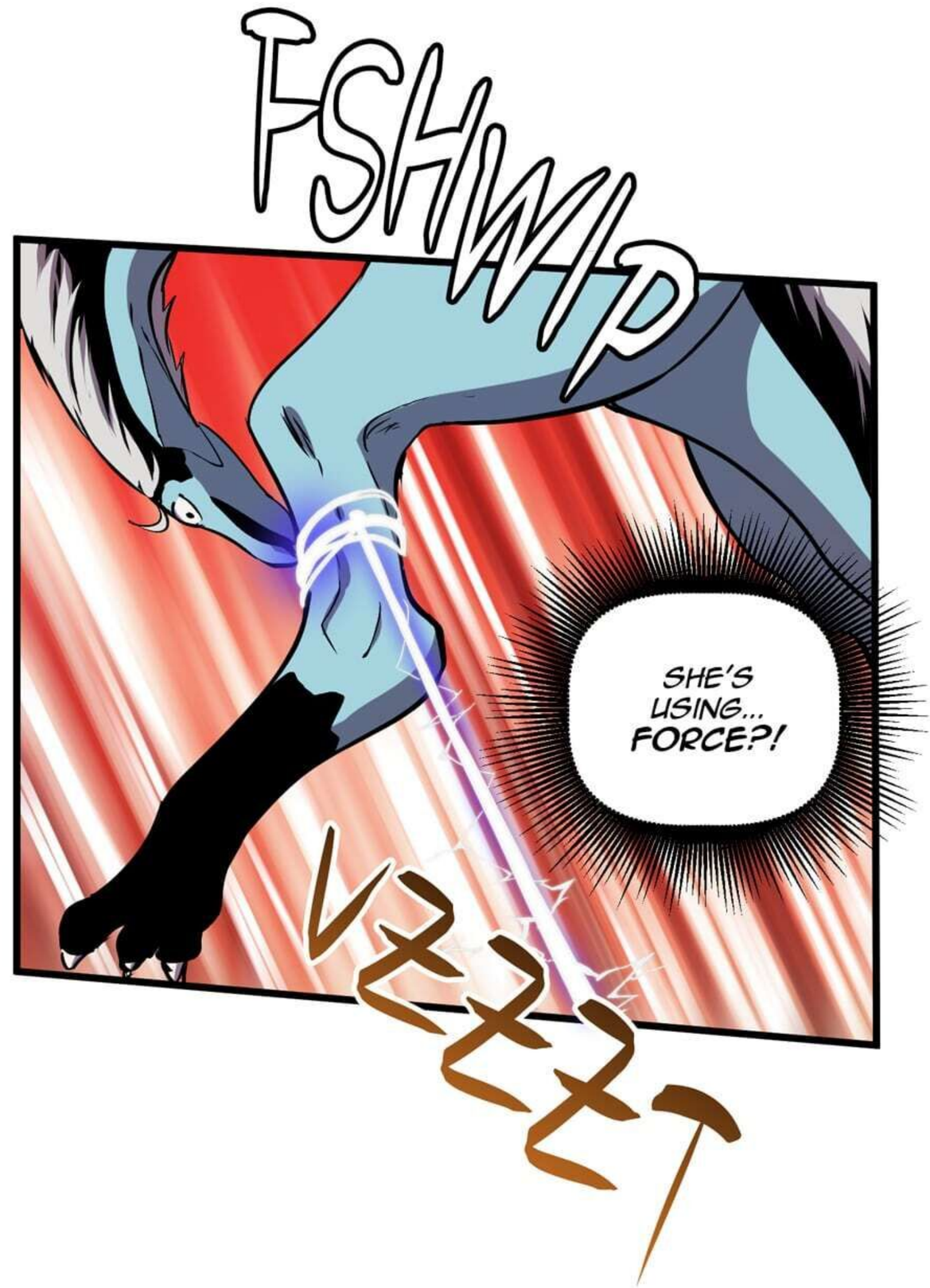

FLASH

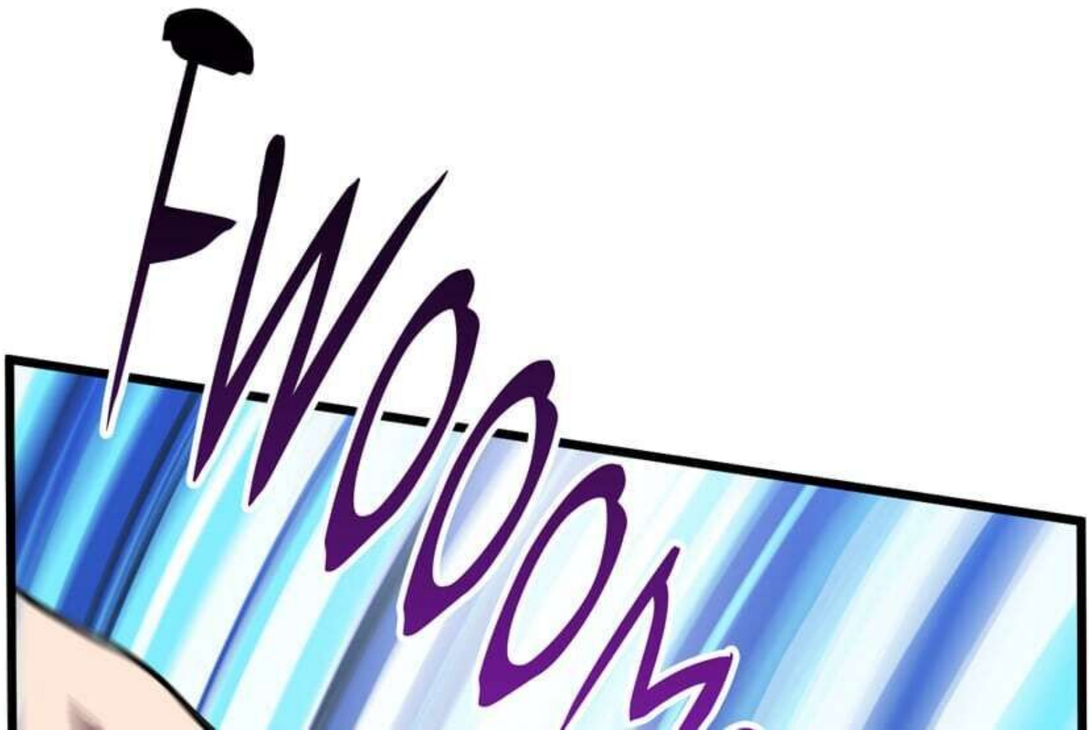

CRACKLE
TAK

Fwooo

BOOMP
WHEW...

I'M GLAD IT WAS A SHORT RUNWAY!
NOW THAT I'M IN THE AIR, IT'LL BE A PIECE OF CAKE TO ESCAPE...


FSHWIP
SHE'S USING... FORCE?!
VZZZT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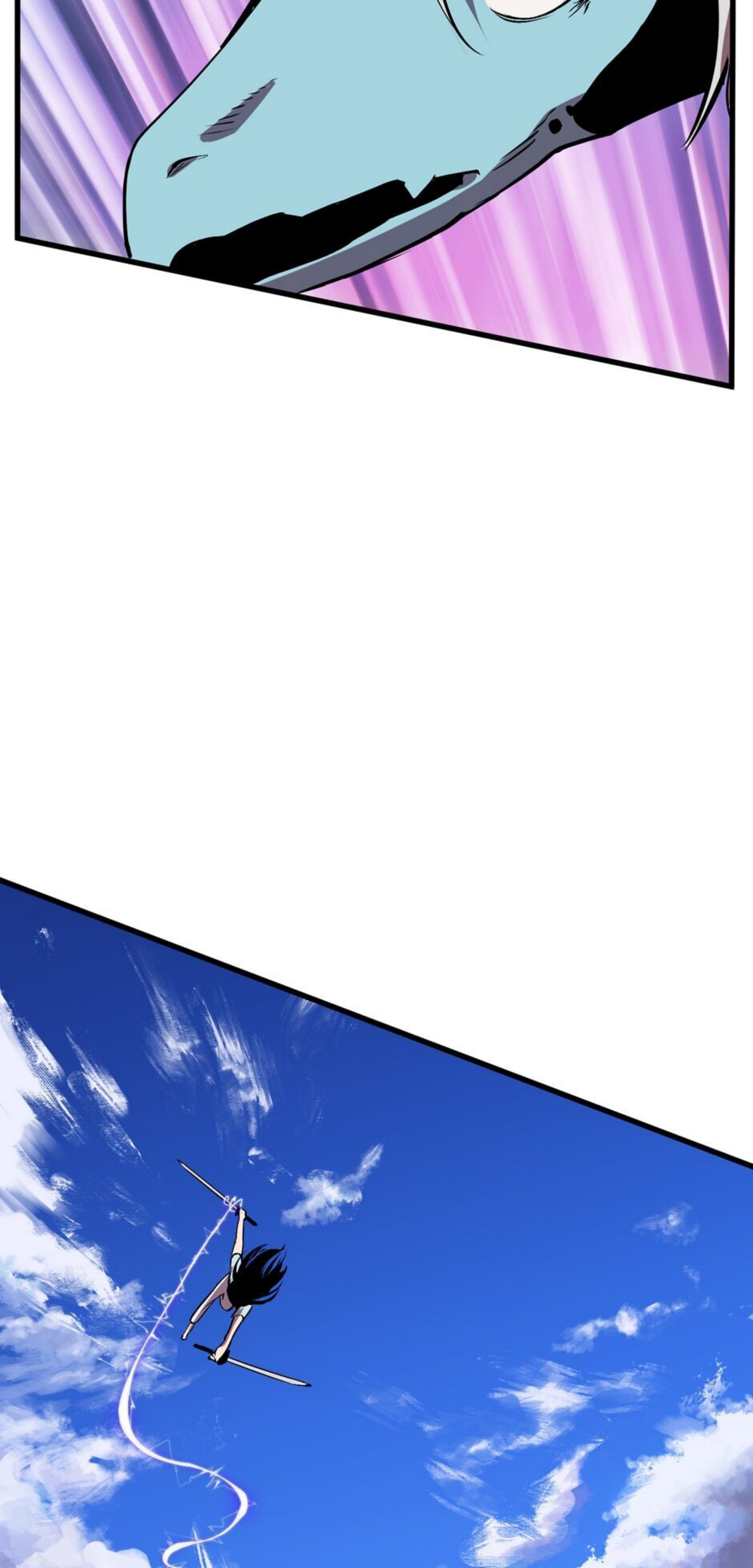

FWUP

RED DOG
CULTURE HOUSE